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Eugene C. Waniewski

## Waniewski Promoted

Valley Bank President Gordon N. Oakes, Jr. announced the promotion of Eugene C. Waniewski to Vice President. Waniewski directs and develops marketing activities of the bank's trust department including estate planning, charitable, personal trusts for individuals, pension and profit-sharing plans for corporations as well as Keogh plans for self-employed individuals.

He joined Valley Bank in 1977 and is a graduate of St.

Michael's College. Waniewski currently attends the Williams College School of Banking and the Springfield Leadership Institute. He is a member of the Hampden County Estate Planning Council, Pioneer Valley Estate Planning Council and Springfield Life Underwriters Association.

Waniewski is a life-long resident of Feeding Hills and resides there with his wife, the former Cynthia DiVirgilio, and their three children.

## Republican Caucus Ratifies Leadership Appointments

BOSTON—House Minority Leader Bill Robinson won unanimous consent from the Republican Party caucus last week, as his choices for leadership were ratified by acclamation. Thus, Rep. Edward W. Connelly (R-Agawam) will serve as the House Assistant Minority Leader. Rep. Iris K. Holland (R-Longmeadow) will serve as Minority Whip, and Rep. Andrew H. Card (R-Holbrook) will be Assistant Minority Whip.

In presenting his candidates for ratification, Robinson told the caucus that he had great pride and confidence in those he had selected. He described Connelly as a "man

of distinction and of experience" in the House of Representatives. "And Rep. Holland is the first woman ever to serve in a leadership position, but she is more than a woman. She has a sensitive human touch and will provide great strength to the leadership," Robinson stated. "Finally, Andy Card has that unique ability to work with the 'other side' without being co-opted, plus he has enormous experience."

Connelly told the caucus that he had seen many good bills sidetracked in the eight years he has served as representative. "I want you all

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## Gallano to Sue Town Accountant

by Gail Loncto

Town Treasurer David Gallano will file a petition in Hampden Superior Court to determine whether he is entitled to \$3,100 in back pay for serving as the director of the town's Data Processing Department.

In 1977, the town council voted to discontinue funding the Data Processing directorship due to the fact that the position was not legally created by the council. Gallano, however, performed the duties of director during fiscal 1977.

In 1978, the council voted to legally create the position of director and reinstated Gallano's pay.

Carol Taylor, town accountant, however, refused to pay Mr. Gallano for fiscal 1977, saying that the council legally eliminated the position from the budget.

Gallano is seeking a court

decision after continued negotiation with the town failed to settle the issue.

Town Attorney Jay Posnik ruled in favor of Gallano in 1978, saying that Gallano is

legally entitled to the \$3,100 based on the fact that Gallano continued on page 28



The Agawam Town Council met for the first time last week in its new quarters at the Central Library on Cooper Street. photo by Jack Devine

## Borgatti Elected School Committee Chairman

At last week's School Committee meeting, Richard Borgatti was elected Chairman for 1979. His name was entered into nomination by Tom Ennis with a second coming from Roberta Doering. He won on a 4-2

vote, defeating Joseph Napolitan. Voting for Borgatti was Tom Ennis, Borgatti, Roberta Doering, and Venetta Snyder. Mr. Napolitan was nominated by Jesse Fuller.

After winning, Mr.

Borgatti thanked Mrs. Snyder for her hard work over the past year and stated that he would try to do "the best job possible." He further stated that "in spite of the personal conflicts in the past," he hoped that "the school committee could work for the betterment of the Agawam School system."

In a closer contest, Roberta Doering was elected Vice Chairman, beating Jessie Fuller by a 4-3 vote. Voting for Mrs. Doering were Tom Ennis, Venetta Snyder, and Richard Borgatti. Joe Napolitan and Walter Balboni voted for Fuller.

Jessie Fuller and Joe Napolitan both declined nomination to the secretary's position, and Mrs. Snyder was elected unanimously by the committee.

In other action, the committee discussed reviewing the high school evaluation for continued accreditation. Walter Balboni requested a meeting before he was scheduled to enter the hospital for surgery. He stated that he would like to review the report as soon as possible. A meeting scheduled for January 17th in the superintendent's office at 7 p.m.

Hiring of coaches for the upcoming scholastic year was done without much discussion. John Michalek will return as varsity football coach, Paul Blodgett as varsity boys soccer coach, Barbara Stevens as girls varsity soccer coach, and Joe Modzelewski as cross country coach. Also, Karen Fitzgerald will be the field hockey coach.

## Caputo to Appoint Mediator in Building Committee Inquiry

by Gail Loncto

Town Manager Peter Caputo has announced that a mediator will be appointed to look into a request from the Agawam Businessmen's Association to investigate the Library Building Committee.

The Manager said he was looking for a "responsible, unbiased citizen" to act as mediator in this matter.

Two weeks ago the manager announced that he was going to appoint a one to three man inquiry board after a formal request from Jerry Zerra, Arthur Leary, and Joseph Napolitan, representing the Businessmen's Association.

At that time, Caputo stated that it was a "citizen's right and duty to question," and that he "welcomed any citizen

inquiry." He went on to state that under the Town Charter he had the right to establish an inquiry board and that he planned to do so.

However, earlier this week Caputo requested "specific reasons" from the Businessmen's Association before setting up the inquiry board.

This week he noted that he will appoint a responsible citizen as "mediator" even though he has not received the requested list of reasons. He went on to say that all records concerning the Library Building Committee, composed of Paul Fieldstad, George Bickford and Richard Borgatti, will be made available to the citizen he appoints.



Mrs. Patricia Knight

## Patricia Knight Promoted

Mrs. Patricia Knight is now the acting manager of the Feeding Hills office of Community Savings Bank.

Mrs. Knight has been with Community Savings since 1970 when she started as a teller. A year later, she became head teller in Feeding Hills when that office first opened.

In 1978 she was promoted to Savings Supervisor and was transferred to Community's Main Street office in Springfield.

Mrs. Knight lives in Feeding Hills with her husband and four sons. She is a member of the American Institute of Banking.

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# Home Box Office Listings

## THURSDAY January 18

5:30 MACARTHUR (PG-2:08)  
8:00 Football: INSIDE THE NFL  
9:00 Standing Room Only: THE FIRST ANNUAL ZANY AWARDS  
10:00 "1978 IN SPORTS"  
11:00 CASEY'S SHADOW (PG-1:57)  
1:00 Football: INSIDE THE NFL

## FRIDAY January 19

5:00 THE LAST WALTZ (PG-1:47)  
7:00 Football: INSIDE THE NFL  
8:00 Special: EUROPE ON ICE  
9:00 THE LAST WALTZ (PG-1:47)  
11:00 THE LAST HARD MEN (R-1:32)  
12:30 SWEET REVENGE (PG-1:25)

## SATURDAY January 20

2:30 THE LAST REMAKE OF BEAU GESTE (PG-1:23)  
4:00 "1978 IN SPORTS"  
5:00 Football: INSIDE THE NFL  
6:00 THE PRIVATE FILES OF J. EDGAR HOOVER (PG-1:56)  
8:00 BIG WEDNESDAY (PG-2:05)  
10:00 "1978 IN SPORTS"  
11:00 THE EAGLE HAS LANDED (PG-2:03)  
1:00 THE HARRAD EXPERIMENT (R-1:35)

## SUNDAY January 21

3:00 UPCLOSE  
4:00 HEROES (PG-1:53)  
6:00 "OH, GOD!" (PG-1:44)  
8:00 UPCLOSE  
9:00 COMING HOME (R-2:07)  
11:30 HEROES (PG-1:53)  
1:30 STRAIGHT TIME (R-1:47)

## MONDAY January 22

6:00 CASEY'S SHADOW (PG-1:57)  
8:00 LET'S DO IT AGAIN (PG-1:52)  
10:00 Standing Room Only: THE FIRST ANNUAL ZANY AWARDS  
11:00 THE LAST WALTZ (PG-1:47)

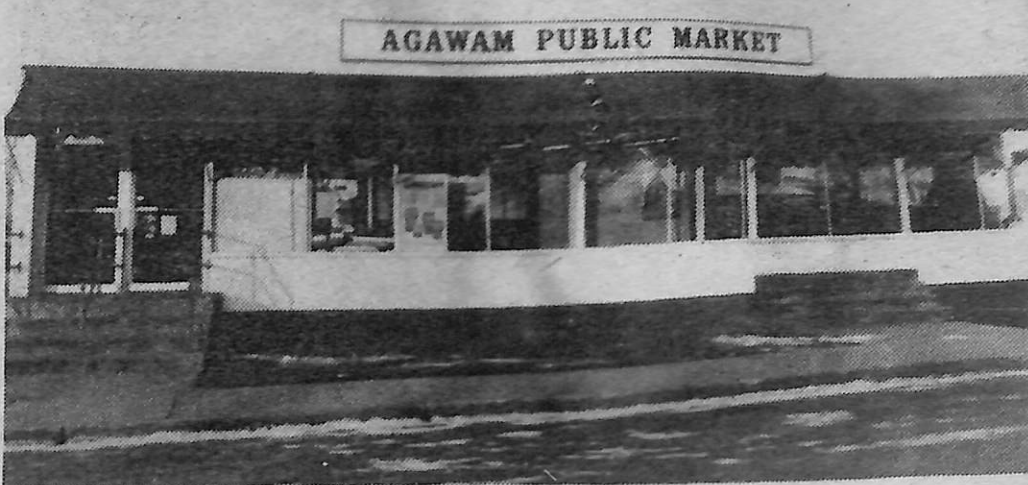
## TUESDAY January 23

6:30 SWEET REVENGE (PG-1:25)  
8:00 Special: EUROPE ON ICE  
9:00 College Basketball: ORAL ROBERTS AT MARQUETTE (Live)  
11:00 THE PRIVATE FILES OF J. EDGAR HOOVER (PG-1:56)

## WEDNESDAY January 24

6:00 LET'S DO IT AGAIN (PG-1:52)  
8:00 Special: ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA  
9:00 BIG WEDNESDAY (PG-2:05)  
11:30 "1978 IN SPORTS"  
12:30 LET'S DO IT AGAIN (PG-1:52)

# Agawam Public - A Long History



AGAWAM PUBLIC MARKET as it appears today on Main Street in Agawam Center. photo by Jack Devine



1931, Joe Cardone (left) is pictured with Minnie Barden and Frank Coons. Coons was Mr. Cardone's meat cutter.

The Agawam Public Market has long been a landmark for Agawam Center. Operated by Philip

Cardone of Agawam, who took over for his father Joseph in 1970. The original general store

in the center of Agawam belonged to E.K. and S.H. Bodurtha. They built a structure, which still stands today, and is in fact an attractive home on Center Street.

Bodurtha operated the store and post office on the first floor of the building, and a private school was located on the second. The following lines were written as an advertisement for the store, and are here reprinted from a newspaper clipping of 1912: "S.H. Bodurtha and Mr. E.K., Who was recently married (or so the folks say) Would politely and earnestly beg your attention To a few useful facts they are going to mention: Friends in the village and friends from away A few words of wisdom to you we would say Ah, come unto us, ye who labor and are laden

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Sweet Life All-Beef Franks \$1.29 lb.	Imported Swiss Cheese \$2.39 lb.

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Sweet Life Flour 5 lb. Bag 59¢ WITH \$10.00 PURCHASE	Sweet Life Ice Cream \$1.09 1/2 gal. WITH \$10.00 PURCHASE

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FEEDING HILLS PUBLIC MARKET, 634 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, has been a familiar site to town residents for well over half a century. photo by Jack Devine.

## Brady Snyder Appointed to WNEC Alumni Committee

Brady D. Snyder, of 10 Strawberry Hill Road, Feeding Hills, a past president of the Western New England College Alumni Association, has been appointed to serve on the college's Alumni Educational Committee for 1979.

The Alumni Educational Committee's charge is to provide educational programs and opportunities for the alumni and the college community; to recommend to the college administration additions, deletions and changes to the existing college curriculum and for providing such activities as auditing programs, seminars and other educational projects.

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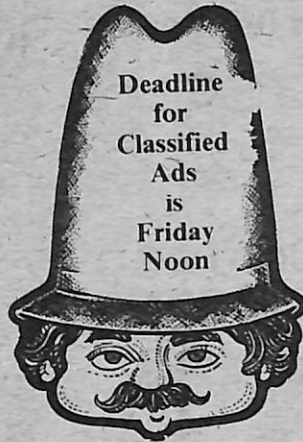
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SODA CITY, owned and operated by David Ratner, is located on Walnut Street Ext. in the Agawam Shopping Center. photo by Jack Devine

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VALLEY FARMS MINI MART, has new owners, and is well on its way to becoming a full-line family convenience store. It is located at 35 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills. photo by Jack Devine

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BORDEN'S 1 lb. Cottage Cheese 79¢  
BORDEN'S Milk in plastic gallon \$1.59  
ROAST BEEF \$1.49 ½ lb.  
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The play will be Agatha Christie's *Mousetrap*, which has been running non-stop in London for the past 26 years and is the longest running play in the history of the English theater.

A limited supply of tickets at \$8 and \$7 is available and may be reserved by calling Theater Party Chairman Patricia Day at 583-8257 or Chapter Chairman Elwin Jock at 789-0846 on or before Friday, January 12th.

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**Clear Broth**  
13.75 OZ. CAN  
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NOVA SCOTIA LOX HAND SLICED 1 LB. \$1.99	ALASKAN LOX HAND SLICED 1 LB. \$1.89
BEEF BOLOGNA SLICED TO ORDER 1 LB. \$1.89	DOMESTIC ROAST BEEF 1 LB. \$3.49
CARANDO PEPPERONI 1 LB. \$2.79	COOKED SALAMI SLICED TO ORDER 1 LB. \$1.89
HEBREW NATIONAL KOSHER BEEF SALAMI 12 OZ. \$1.69	HEBREW NATIONAL KOSHER BEEF FRANKS 12 OZ. \$1.59
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MOTT'S APPLE JUICE 64 OZ. BOTTLE 99¢

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U.S.D.A. CHOICE - BEEF CHUCK CUBE STEAK 1 LB. \$2.09

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## History Enriches Story of Country Squire Furniture Shop

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During the Civil War the Cooper men fought with the Union and during their absence this unfinished house was used for tobacco storage.

The rear part of the house originally stood farther back from Main Street on what was known as Old Meadow Road. In the early 1870's it was moved by mules to become part of the main house.

The farm was part of the original Ensign Cooper Grant. The title was at one time contested by the Indian, Cottiwackesh, who later received for settlement the deed to the lower level land along the Westfield River.

The river which bounded the farm on the Northeast was

washed the bank away for several hundred feet during the last hundred years.

At the foot of the Meadow Road Hill was the ford or wading place where George

Washington is said to have crossed on his first trip to Massachusetts.

The farm was occupied by the John Caldon family for the first half of the twentieth century. The renovation of the building and opening of the Country Squire Shop occurred in the Fall of 1957.

The North Wing addition was added and opened for business during September, 1961.

The East Wing was completed during the Spring of 1968. The display area and warehouse are now three times larger than when the Shop opened in 1957. It also includes a workroom and shipping area which plans well for future years of business growth.

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## AHS BAND NEWS AND NOTES

At competitive auditions held in October among the best chorus and band students from some 50 high schools in the western half of the state, 10 members of the AHS Chorale and 5 members of the AHS Band won positions in the Western District All Star Chorus and Band.

The chorus numbering around 200 voices and the band of some 100 members will have two full Saturdays of rehearsal together and then will present a concert at the University of Mass. Fine Arts Center on Saturday evening, January 20 at 8:00 p.m.

Achieving positions in the Western District Chorus are Karen Nascembeni, Richard Thornton, Todd Rovelli, Andy Griffen, Joanna Harlow, Frank Aucello, Craig Greenough, Kenneth Webb, William Trempe, and Sandra Nascembeni.

Members of band who were accepted for district honors are Dana Mowrer (trumpet), Charles Withee (trumpet), Kenneth Mallette (trumpet), Dominic Dermine (trumpet), and Carol Boucher (flute).

Three students from chorus also have qualified for auditions to the All-State Chorus, which will be held in the spring with a second audition to qualify for this group. They are Karen Nascembeni, Richard Thornton (both seniors at AHS) and Todd Rovelli, a sophomore this year.

District and All-State honor groups are similar to those chosen in sports, except that students do compete head-to-head for the positions and then actually get together to perform as a super band and chorus.

Both the rehearsals and performance get to be very exciting musical ventures for the students who are selected, and they, in turn, bring home the benefits of their experience to share with other members of their own school groups.



WESTFIELD SAVINGS BANK, 655 Main Street, Agawam. photo by Jack Devine

## Westfield Savings Bank - 11 Years in Agawam

The Agawam Branch of the Westfield Savings Bank, which now is in its 11th year of operation, has served the people of the Agawam area well, in providing home mortgage loans, helping people to meet savings goals, and offering a wide range of financial services.

Miss Alice Hope, who resides in Agawam, is manager of the Agawam Branch. Harry Camrye, also an Agawam resident, is assistant manager, and so is staff member Mrs. Ann Smith.

Completing the Agawam Branch complement are Mrs. Lorraine Wislocki, Mrs. Deborah Mangini, Miss Lorraine Francoeur, and Custodial Reginald Lamb-

son. Commenting on banking activity of the Agawam Branch,

Miss Hope noted that six month Money Market Certificates, which are providing annual yields of more than 10 per cent, have been well received by Westfield Savings customers, and that savings and loan activity has been very good.

The Agawam Branch of Westfield Savings was opened to the public in June, 1968, an attractive colonial style building on a two-acre site at 655 Main Street.

At the time of the opening, President Arthur W. Knapp predicted excellent growth for the branch, and this has taken

place. "We always have served thousands of people in the Agawam area," Mr. Knapp said, "and the presence of our Agawam branch during the past decade has provided greater banking convenience for them."

At the end of 1978, Westfield Savings Bank's total assets were approximately \$135 million, and Mr. Knapp anticipates continued growth in the years ahead.

"I firmly believe that the presence of our branch office in Agawam has been an asset to the town, and we certainly have enjoyed our many fine associations," Mr. Knapp said.

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One of two Frank & Tito Beauty Salons located in Agawam. This one is at Southgate Shopping Plaza, Suffield Street. photo by Jack Devine

## 'March for Life'

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Jock of Agawam are area reservations chairmen for the March for

Life in Washington, D.C. on Monday, January 22nd, the sixth anniversary of the

Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion-on-demand. For the fifth straight year buses will leave Springfield, sponsored by Massachusetts Citizens for Life, carrying right-to-lifers to the nations capital to join with thousands of others in protest against this decision. The buses will depart at midnight on Sunday, the 21st., and will return in the early morning hours of Tuesday, the 23rd. Round trip fare is \$10 per person.

Marchers will lobby with their U.S. Senators and Representatives in the morning and will march at 12 noon from the Ellipse to the Capitol Building, where right-to-life speakers will address them. Last year approximately 100,000 participated in the march, including four busloads from the Springfield area.

Bus reservations may be made by calling the Jocks at 789-0846. Donations are also needed to help subsidize the buses and may be sent to Mr. Walter Drenen, 6 Gloria Drive, Southwick 01077.

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DUNKIN DONUTS in Agawam recently underwent a face lift. The newer, more modern interior and exterior of the building enhances the goodness of those delicious donuts. photo by Jack Devine

### Agawam Golden Agers

The Agawam Golden Agers Club held its regular meeting January 10 with 16 present. They were entertained by square dancers from Springfield, and refreshments were enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be January 24 when a white elephant sale will take place.

## Who Was Ensign Cooper?

Ensign Cooper's pays homage to the brave colonists who founded this great nation and particularly to Ensign Thomas Cooper who settled on this very land and paid the maximum price of patriotism.

In 1635 Thomas Cooper, age 18, arrived in the Massachusetts Bay Colony aboard his Majesty's Ship "Christian". Eight years later he came to the Western Massachusetts area, then under the command of William Pynchon.

He served Pynchon and the Springfield area for many years as a public servant and militia member. He was a member of Springfield's first Board of Selectmen and was commissioned by those courts to lay out the boundaries of Suffield and Hadley.

Cooper traded with the Indians in the area and purchased trading cloth and other goods from Pynchon which the Indians exchanged for beaver pelts. In 1660, Major Pynchon sent Abel Leonard, Thomas Merrick and Ensign Cooper to the west side of the Connecticut River to settle the land and negotiate with the Indians.

Shortly thereafter, this land occupied by Ensign Cooper was granted to him in the name of the crown by William Pynchon. While in Agawam,

Cooper built the town's first saw mill along Three Mile Brook in the Elm Street area.

In the summer of 1673 a war began in the area between the settlers and the Indians, who were led by Chief Metacomet, later called King Philip.

During October, about 270 warriors slipped into the fort of the Agawam tribe which was located on the bluffs above the river where Sumner Avenue and Longhill Street now meet. Major Pynchon was in the Hadley area with twenty-two militiamen because rumors had circulated that the Indians would attack from the north.

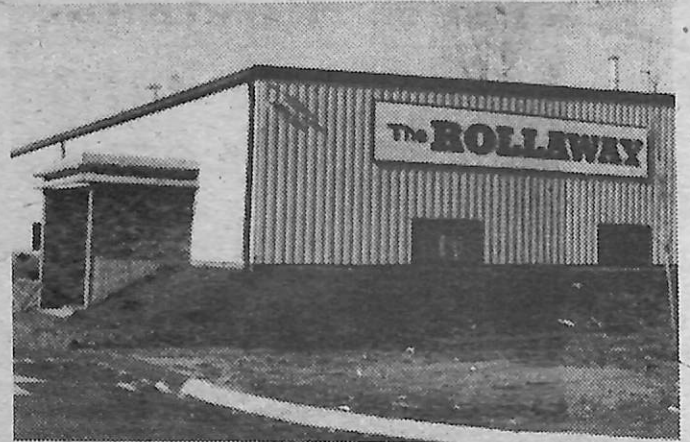
Ensign Cooper and Constable Thomas Miller rode into the area of the Indian fort on October 4, 1675 and were ambushed in the area that is now the junction of Mill and Main Street, where a stone marker commemorates their bravery. Miller was killed outright and Ensign Cooper, although mortally wounded, remounted his horse and galloped to warn the settlers with his dying breath.

The women and children so warned had time to rush to the Pynchon fort and all but one woman, Pentecost Matthews, survived the attack and burning of the Springfield settlement.

### Two From Agawam Attain Dean's List

Two Agawam students presently attending Fitchburg State College have been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester.

Joan C. Leary of 129 Birch Hill Road, and Thomas J. Vogel of 119 North Street, were placed on the Dean's List, which is accomplished if an average grade of 3.2 or better is attained by students attending the college full-time.



The New RIVERSIDE ROLLAWAY located on Main Street, Agawam. photo by Jack Devine



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# Social

## Colleen Blakesley To Wed James Marcus

Mrs. Katherine Blakesley of 24 Vassar Drive, Feeding Hills, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Colleen Ann, to James Marcus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Marcus of 180 Suffield Street, Agawam. Miss Blakesley is also the daughter of Donald W. Blakesley of 1139 Westfield Street, West Springfield. Miss Blakesley is a

graduate of Agawam High School and of Boston University and is presently teaching in the Easthampton Public School System.

Mr. Marcus is a graduate of Agawam High School and of Holyoke Community College and is employed by Marcus Display Company in Agawam.

A June 16th wedding is planned.

## Woman in the Public Eye

Mrs. Charlotte Venturini, Public Affairs Chairman for the Agawam Junior Women's Club announces that nominations are now being accepted by the club for their Women-in-the-Public Eye awards to be presented at their Feb. 20th meeting.

Voting boxes will be available at the following banks: Valley Bank on

Springfield Street; Westfield Savings Bank on Main Street; and Westbank at the Feeding Hills Center. Nominations may also be sent directly to Mrs. Charlotte Venturini of 231 Adams Street, Agawam.

The deadline is February 12th, so get going and honor a woman you know who has contributed a great deal to our community!

## Conservation Poster and Collage Contest

To emphasize the importance of conservation and to encourage thinking about important issues facing our environment, the Agawam Juniors invite children of the community to participate in a Conservation Poster & Collage Contest. Mrs. Patricia Lloyd, Conservation Chairman for the Agawam Junior Women's Club has set out the following guidelines for the competition:

**Rules for Posters:** (1) Children must be in grades 3-4-5; (2) Subject of Poster - "Saving Energy" and have a positive message (suggestion); (3) Poster must be done on 12x18 paper (any medium allowed); (4) Name, address, age and grade printed on back.

**Rules for Collage:** (1) Children must be in grades 6-7-8; (2) Subject - "Recycling" (positive message - stressed); (3) Collage to be done on 12x18 paper; (4) Name, address, age and grade printed on back.

Judging will be done here and the winning posters will be sent to the State Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior Membership, for statewide judging in April. Entries may be given to any member of the Agawam Junior Women's Club or may be sent to Mrs. Patricia Lloyd, 127 Robin Ridge Drive, Feeding Hills, Mass. 01030 by January 30, 1979.

Scout leaders are urged to participate.

## Mark George Nominated by Conte

U.S. Rep. Silvio O. Conte, R-Mass., recently announced that an Agawam student is among those he has nominated to compete for appointment to the U.S. service academies this year.

Mark Joseph George, son of Mr. and Mrs. Omer E. George of 127 Colemore Street, Feeding Hills, a student at Agawam High School, was nominated by Conte to compete statewide for appointment to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

## 1979 Heart Ball Slated



The 1979 Heart Ball, planned for Wednesday, January 31, will be the official kick-off for activities saluting Heart Month. Heart Month is traditionally held each February and a fund drive is held to raise research monies for heart ailments. Co-chairmen (left to right) Ellen Giokas of Chicopee, Betsy Sheehan Taylor of Holyoke and Emma Anderson of Springfield go over final plans for the annual dinner-dance to be held at the Rodeway Inn and Conference Center in Chicopee. Bart Nascembeni's "Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich" orchestra will play for dancing. The evening is open to the public and tickets are available at the Heart Association, 85 Oakland Street, Springfield or through any of the co-chairmen. photo by Jack Devine.



Students from the Agawam Middle School present check to representatives of the Captain Charles Leonard House. From left to right are: Lee Ann Sandlin, Andrea S. Jeff Hastings, Mrs. Elizabeth Pond, Mr. W.A. Stahle, Lisa Letendre, Bob Badone, and Debbie Twarog. photo by Jack Devine

## Students Check to Benefit Captain Leonard House

On behalf of the Agawam Middle School student body, representatives from grades six and seven recently presented a check to benefit

the Captain Charles Leonard House. This money was raised by the students during the September magazine campaign.

The students were given a conducted tour of the house, and Mr. W.A. Stahle, Mrs. Elizabeth Pond, and Mrs. Richard Curry told them the history of this landmark.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

January 16, 1979  
Aga. Jr. Women's Club  
Monthly Meeting  
Capt. Leonard House  
8 p.m.

January 24, 1979  
Program on  
"Family Communication"  
Phelps Elementary School  
7:30 p.m.

January 23, 1979  
Aga. Historical Assoc.  
Captain Leonard House  
7:30 p.m.

January 28, 1979  
UNICO Pancake &  
Sausage Breakfast  
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January 24, 1979  
Golden Agers Club  
Meeting at Senior Center



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Pack 75 Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills will be holding their annual paper drive at the church parking lot on Saturday and Sunday, January 20 and 21. All papers, boxes, and bags can be dropped off between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on both days, rain or shine.

If anyone needs to have his papers picked up, please contact either Tom Fourville at 786-2444 or Darlene Perry at 786-5481.

Let's all help our boys make this a big success, as proceeds will go towards purchasing new supplies for upcoming events.





BRIERE PIANO & ORGANS Sits in a lovely setting at 141 Main Street, Agawam. photo by Jack Devine



SILVER CARRIAGE INN, 1520 Main Street, Agawam is highlighted by the antique carriage out front. photo by Jack Devine

## Jr. Women Set

### January Meeting

The language, customs, and food of the French people will be highlighted at the January 16th meeting of the Agawam Junior Womens' Club. Past Presidents of the club as well as students participating in the American Field Service Program have been invited as special guests. Members of the club will be preparing French cuisine and transforming the traditional pine room of the Capt. Leonard House with authentic French memorabilia for the International evening. The public is invited to participate, particularly women of the community interested in joining. Mrs. Diana Willard, club president will open the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and will direct the allocation of funds raised during the 1978-79 season for civic and charitable causes.

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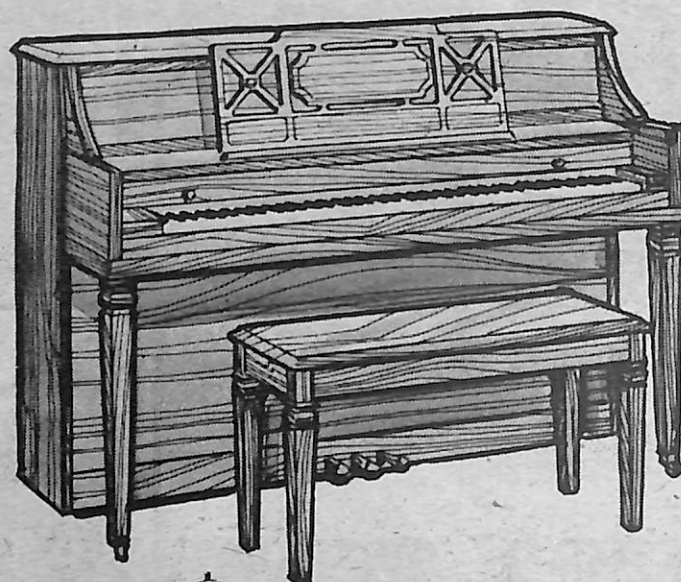
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Penny Kasperak  
Agawam

"I think it's a very good thing. I think it will help lower taxes and it will help whatever business we have around here."



Donald Catchepaugh  
Agawam

"I don't think we need a race track at all. I don't think it's the type of industry we need in the town. I lived here all my life and I know what we had when we had the last race track...traffic problems on Elm Street and any new access roads."



Stan Sumie  
Agawam

"In a way it will do a lot of good for Agawam. It will bring a lot of business in. People will have to have a place to stay and eat. Every



Marcia Paridicio  
Agawam

"I think it would be a good idea."



Steve Draghetti  
Agawam

"I think it would be a good idea for the tax break. It would definitely bring in revenue. I'm sure there will be some adjustments, some problems, like Riverside Park. But Riverside hasn't hurt the town and I'm sure the Race Track won't either."

Joan Barker  
Agawam

"There really hasn't been that much information available



Nancy Schneider  
Agawam

"I'm for it as long as they do what they say they're going to do. As long as they follow through with their proposal with access roads and police and fire protection. As long as it doesn't put any more hassels on the town."

business in the town will do well. Whether or not the "bad element" comes into town will be up to the town...I come from California where there's are race tracks all over, they have no trouble...The revenue it brought in helps the tax rate. It won't hurt the town at all."

Eva Rivers  
Agawam

"If it would help the taxes, it would be all right."

Mrs. Nicholas Hidemenos  
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"I don't approve of it at all and I wouldn't support it in any way."



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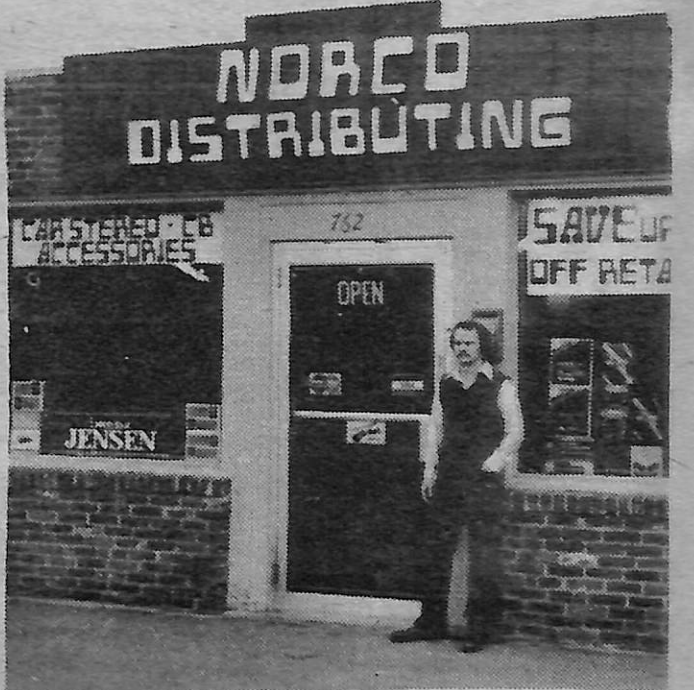
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All parents are invited to attend and listen to discussion of such questions as: "Is communicating with children different? Are they listening? Are you listening to your children's messages? What are the roadblocks to communication? Can parent-child communication continue through the teen years?"





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## "Create a Project Contest"

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Now it's your chance to tell us what else you would like the Jaycee-ettes to do for our

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This is what our "Create a Project Contest" is all about. You send in a project for the Jaycee-ettes, and if we like it and use it, you'll win a prize!

Please send your entries by March 1st with your name, address, and phone number included to Agawam Jaycee-ettes, 64 Liquori Dr., Feeding Hills, MA 01030.

## D.A.R. Meeting

Mercy Warren Chapter, D.A.R. will meet at 12:45 p.m., Tuesday, February 6 in the Guild Room of Faith Church, 52 Sumner Avenue, Springfield.

The guest speaker will be Rear Admiral David Martineau, retired. His topic will be "Downgrading the Navy under President Carter."

His thirty years of service in the navy included serving on all types of combatant ships. During World War II, he was captain of a destroyer in the Pacific.

While on shore duty, he served in personnel and strategic planning positions and relations to Congress.

Since his retirement from active service in 1959, he has been a consultant to industry on defense and national security policy.

He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and the National War College. In support of national security, he is currently involved with the American Defense Preparedness Association.

Husbands of members and other male guests are invited to attend and an invitation has been extended to the local S.A.R. Chapter to be our guests.



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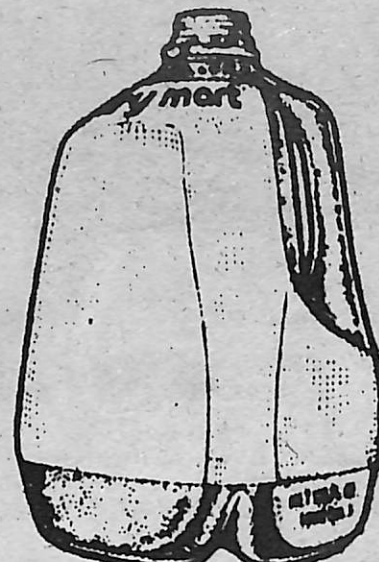
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# Southwick



Southwick High School participants in the 39th Annual Model Congress held at American International College recently are, from left: Diana Bazyk, Jeff Sponberg, Ellen Bergerson, Scott Martin, and Michael Dowding.

## Jeffrey Younes Appointed to School Committee Association

Jeffrey D. Younes, a member of the Southwick School Committee, was recently appointed to serve on the Massachusetts Association

of School Committees, according to an announcement by the association. As a member of the association, he will study

special education summer school programs. Younes is a two-year member of the Southwick School Committee.

Parents of Southwick school students are being reminded that there is a free milk and free meal and reduced price meal policy for school children unable to pay the full price of milk and meals served in the schools. The following family size income criteria is used for determining eligibility:

Family Size All members of household	Maximum Gross Income For Free Milk & Free Meals	Maximum Gross Income For Reduced Price Meals
One	\$0 to \$ 4,190	\$ 4,191 to \$ 6,530
Two	\$0 to \$ 5,500	\$ 5,501 to \$ 8,580
Three	\$0 to \$ 6,810	\$ 6,811 to \$10,630
Four	\$0 to \$8,110	\$ 8,111 to \$12,660
Five	\$0 to \$ 9,310	\$ 9,311 to \$14,530
Six	\$0 to \$10,510	\$10,511 to \$16,400
Seven	\$0 to \$11,600	\$11,601 to \$18,100
Eight	\$0 to \$12,690	\$12,691 to \$19,790
Nine	\$0 to \$13,680	\$13,681 to \$21,330
Ten	\$0 to \$14,660	\$14,661 to \$22,870
Eleven	\$0 to \$15,640	\$15,641 to \$24,390
Twelve	\$0 to \$16,610	\$16,611 to \$25,910
Each Additional Family Member	970	\$ 1,520

Children from families whose income is at or below those shown are eligible for milk and meals free or at reduced prices. In addition, families not meeting this criteria but with other special hardship conditions due to unusually high medical expenses, shelter costs in excess of 30 percent of income, special education expenses due to the mental or physical condition of a child, and disaster or casualty losses are urged to apply. Further, children having parents or guardians who become unemployed are eligible for free or reduced price meals or for free milk during the period of unemployment, provided that the loss of income causes the family income during the period of unemployment to be within the eligibility criteria.

Any parents who feel they are now eligible should contact the schools for application forms.

## Southwick Raises Tuition

The Southwick School Committee recently voted to boost tuition fees for non-resident students attending Southwick Schools. The new rates represent an average 20% over present tuition costs.

The tuition rates for the 1979-80 school year will be as follows: Kindergarten, \$700 per student; grades 1-8, \$1,150; high school, \$1,650; and special needs, \$2,400.

Present rates for students attending Southwick public schools are \$500 for kindergarten, \$1,000 for grades 1-8, \$1,550 for high school, and \$2,050 for special needs students.

The cost hike was attributed to projected inflation rate.

## Robert Pinard Promoted

As one of two advancements recently announced by Connecticut General Life Insurance Co., Robert A. Pinard of Southwick was named assistant director of claims systems and group insurance operations.

Pinard, who joined Connecticut General in 1969 as an analyst programmer, advanced to supervisor in 1973.

Named as an assistant director along with Pinard was David F. Doyle of Springfield.

## Blood Pressure Clinic

The Southwick Council on Aging reminds residents that a Blood Pressure Clinic is to be held Wednesday, January 17. The clinic will be held from 1-3 p.m. at the Depo Court Community Room.

The public is invited for a free blood pressure reading and analysis.

## Southwick Hockey Wrap-up

The 6-8 New England By-Products lost a tough game to the South Hadley Panthers, 4-1. Mark Frappier scored the only goal, assisted by Mark Hosmer and John Rock. Jason Sheldon played a good game in goal.

The Southwick 8-10 Police team lost two rough games - the first to Agawam, 2-1, and the second to Van Horn, 4-1.

Chuck Wilson scored in the first game against Agawam, and Pat McDonnell in the second, assisted by Robbie Haramut and Russell Sabadosa. The Van Horn game was outstanding with the whole team giving all they had.

The 10-12 Firemen tied their only game against Holyoke 3-3. Doug Pepe scored his first goal of the season. Todd Stewart and Jamie Neill scored the other goals. The two teams were evenly matched, which made for a very exciting game.

The 12-14 Chuck's Steak House team lost 5-2 to Ludlow with Joey Myette and Gary Delcamp scoring the only goals. The Southwick boys then tied with Springfield 5-5 in a hard-fought game. Gene Davidson scored the hat trick, with other goals by Joey Myette and Doug Sullivan.

The 14-16 VFW team played one game, losing to Van Horn 6-2. In this tough game, the only goals were scored by Jeff Bryden and Tim snow.



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AA ANSWERING SERVICE, Rita Muller at her switchboard. photo by Jack Devine

## Wesson Women's Clinic Available

A comprehensive model of care for obstetrical and gynecological services is now available at the Wesson Women's unit of Baystate Medical Center on a sliding fee scale.

"This program has many advantages," said Dr. Laurence Lundy, chairman of BMC's Obstetrics/Gynecology department. "It will offer high quality preventive medical care to the medically indigent, and it is cost efficient."

The clinic is partially funded by a Federal and State Title V Grant and supported by Baystate Medical Center, and is staffed by Ob/Gyn residents under the direction of Dr. Percy Wadman, chief of Ambulatory Services at the Wesson Women's unit.

Services include prenatal care and counseling, infertility, family planning, abortion, laboratory facilities and social services which are all available in one place on an outpatient basis. Also available for consultation are a nurse practitioner, a nutritionist, four health aid counselors, social workers and technicians.

"Most of the clinic staff is bi-lingual and bi-cultural," said Sandy Hubbard, nurse practitioner at the clinic. "Our goal is to register pregnant women in the program who are in their first trimester to better prepare them for pregnancy, labor and delivery."

The clinic, portions of which have been operating for three years, has served between 600 and 700 women per year. Up to 70% of these patients are Hispanic, many of whom have high risk pregnancies due to socio-economic factors.

"Many of our patients have special needs," said Ms. Hubbard. "They may have poor obstetrical histories, financial, psychological or nutritional needs, or face a

lack of family support. We can deal with all these problems, provide support and referral services, and we follow our patients right through delivery and discharge from the hospital."

"It's hard letting go sometimes," added Louise Park, the clinic nutritionist. "We have a lot invested in our patients."

Prenatal patients are scheduled to visit the clinic every four weeks until their 28th week of pregnancy, then every two weeks until their 36th week, and every week after that. They initially see a physician for an evaluation, and subsequently the physician and the health aid counselors for routine check-ups. These visits may include explanations of normal body changes and common problems of pregnancy, instructions on exercise, diet, rest and hygiene, and later, preparations for labor and delivery, the infant and postpartum concerns. Referrals to physicians, the nurse practitioner, nutritionist or other specialists are made if necessary.

The clinic staff relies heavily on audio-visual aids, such as films, slides and booklets in the counseling sessions.

Clinic hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with services by appointment only.

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In 1930, Joseph Cardone purchased the store. Cardone, a native of Italy ran his establishment with five employees and a horse and buggy. (The horse and buggy were used for home deliveries).

As the business grew, so did the store - the last addition being done in 1973.

Phil Cardone now operates Agawam Public Market, most famous for its meats, with twenty employees. Home delivery has stopped, but a good many bargains are still available in Agawam Center.

## AA Answering Service - To Serve You

Rita Muller, a native of Agawam, is probably someone you've talked to and not realized it. She is the 'voice' of many of the local businesses as she operates the AA Answering Service, 360 Springfield Street, Agawam. Rita has been at her board for eight years. She works out of her home and answers many of our local business

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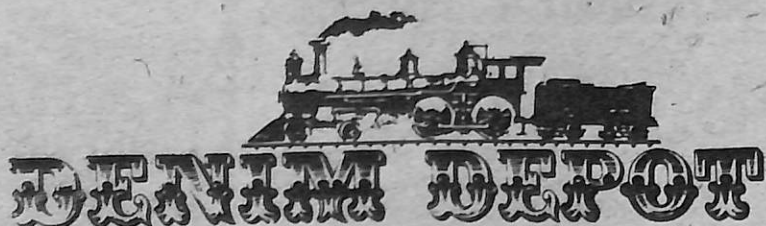
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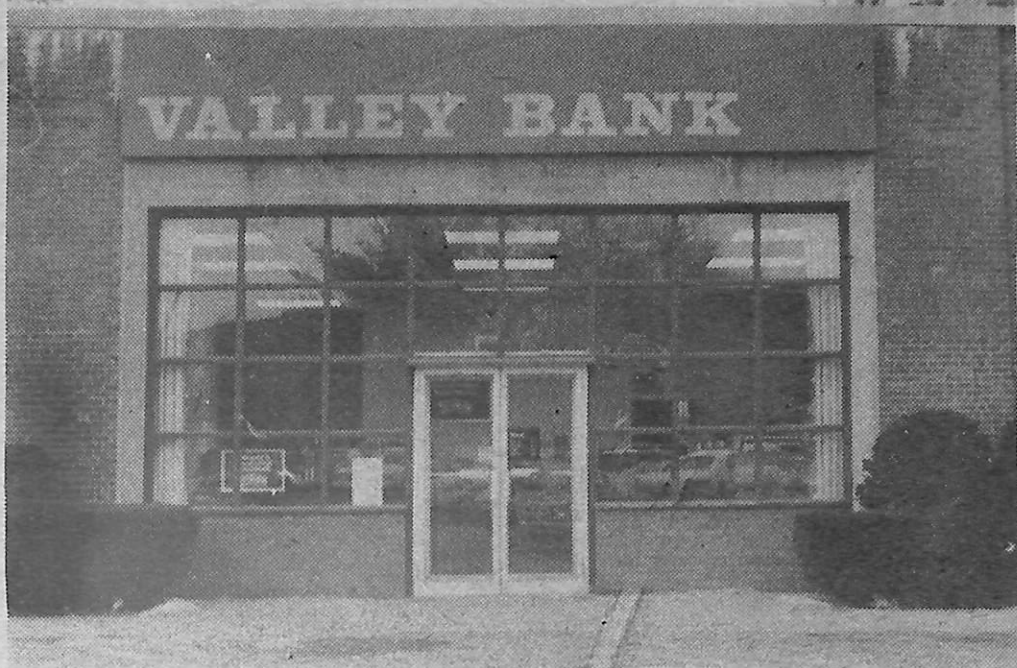


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graduates of such schools as Boston Conservatory, Central Connecticut State College, and Ohio State University.

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## Agawam's Jewelers



## Community Oriented - The Prescription Stores

by Joanne Brown

On July 14, 1950, Edward and Arthur Gallerani opened their drug store for business at what is today the location of Edward's Drug Center at O'Brien's Corner. Besides dispensing prescription and over-the-counter drugs, they originally provided a soda fountain service and lines of giftware, toys, cosmetics, candy, and film.

The easy availability of ice cream as purchased in the supermarket was the major cause of the termination of their soda fountain service, Art Gallerani said. "It used to be standing room only in the store on a hot summer day back then, but today, all one has to do to get ice cream is reach into his home freezer."

Edward's Drug has

expanded twice; they doubled their space in 1960 and doubled again in 1970. They have also added a side parking lot. Arthur's Drug Center opened in the Agawam Shopping Center in 1962.

The Gallerani's had and still maintain a home delivery service. They are trying as much as possible to keep a personal touch and community involvement. Though many things have changed, this is one area of their business that is important to them not to allow to change.

One of the most obvious changes that have occurred in the prescription dispensing process is the gradual replacement of the need for the pharmacist to compound and prepare the drugs.

Today's medicines come already prepared in capsule or syrup or other form. Today's pharmacist rarely has to make up his own medicines; in fact, he even has a machine which counts out pills automatically for him!

There used to be very few antibiotics available, but today there is a large number of new antibiotics and other medicines on call to treat diseases. Art Gallerani said, "The primary role of today's pharmacist is to educate the public as to what medicine they are taking and to advise on over-the-counter remedies that may be contra-indicated to a particular condition a customer may have."

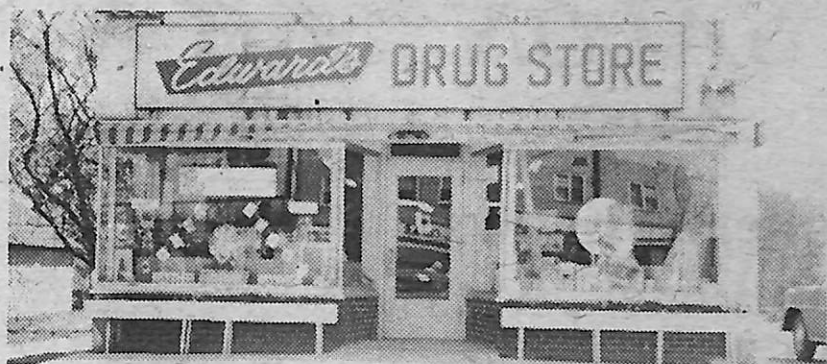
He continued, "The pharmacist of today also has

to assume the responsibility to check up on a doctor's prescription if he finds some question involved." He said a pharmacist keeps up on today's medicines through drug companies' representatives, through trade journals, and by talking to doctors.

There are today several medicines which used to be sold over-the-counter, but now can be sold only by prescription. Paregoric is a good example of such a medicine which, through abuse, has been put on a prescription-only basis.

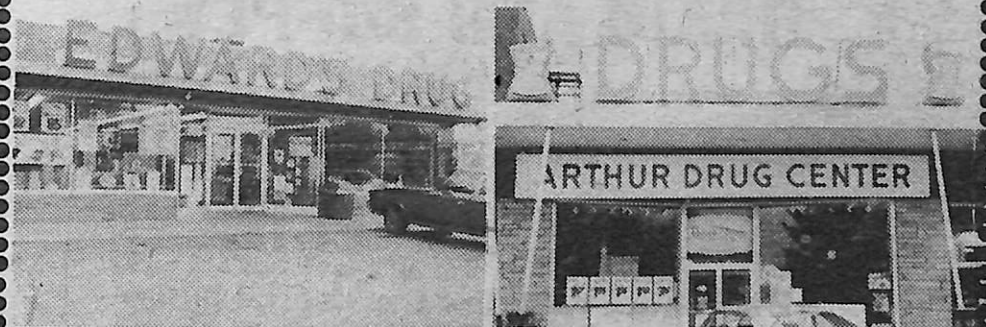
Besides working in his stores, Ed Gallerani has assumed the position of consultant to various nursing homes, where he reviews doctor's orders for any contra-indications and checks to be sure a patient's medicine is given when it's supposed to be and in the proper dosage. The entire Gallerani family has and still does truly care about the Agawam community in which they live and have conscientiously shown this to be so through the years. We should encourage this kind of business all we can in Agawam.

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Agawam High School participants in the 39th Annual Model Congress held at American International College last week were, from left: Paul Adamski, Frank Kalesnik, John Shaer, John Ferrani, Advisor; Dave Allen, Vincent Gingrass, and Tom Doucette.

### Historical Assoc.

Will Meet Jan.23

The first meeting of the '79 season of the Agawam Historical Association will be held on Tuesday, January 23rd at 7:30 p.m. at the Capt. Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

Mrs. Barbara Hodges, program chairperson, announces that Wilma and Dick Trapp of Wilbraham will present "Inside and Outside the Tavern" consisting of colored slides illustrating how a lifetime interest in their hobbies - antiques, gardening, and photography - were brought together and adapted in restoring a 1788 tavern they purchased in the center of Wilbraham in 1964.

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To

by Edith LaFrancis

Soon after its incorporation into a three-community town, difference in nationality, religion, North Agawam, Agawam Center, distillery, and small farms, by becoming suburban. Feeding Hills remained farm centered. North Agawam village. The individual characteristics caused plenty of strife in the old days and today there is a neighborhood.

North Agawam was the first to have the city system, the first to have equipment and is the site of the town's oldest; its rapid development the paper mills were established. About that time, French families from Canada and Irish either by way of ports. The first Catholic church was settled in North Agawam.

Life moved slowly in the horse-drawn era. There was no school in North Agawam. Children walked across the bridge to West Springfield school. On the river in what was known as Mittell's two papermills, a railroad station, grocery and drug stores, and a doctor.

Stores and small enterprises in Agawam to serve the needs of the town. The following variety is listed in a directory:

Manufacturer of ammonia and fertilizer, Celesto Balboni; Baker, Mittineague Orchestra; barbers, Tisdell; billiards and pool, Joseph builders, Diendonne Bessette, Roberts, Arsenne Roy; cigar store, Fontaine; confections and fruit, Mandorlo; corporations, Amherst Electric Co.; dressmaker, Marg George Gareeb; expressman, V. oysters, Diendonne Bessette; florist, restaurant, Michael Foisey; paper, Meat markets, G. Borgatti, D. B. milk, Phillip Arnold, Wilbur E. Roy.

This part of town grew so rapidly that it was actually a few years when it was all the rest of town lumped together.

We at the Agawam Advertiser/News thank Edith LaFrancis for preparing this edition. Ms. LaFrancis is the history book of the town of Agawam, a fact that she took time out of her

Agawam Town Manager Peter Caputo made the following comments regarding the business community in the town of Agawam:

"The town of Agawam is unique in that in the 1970's we were still ripe for industrial and commercial expansion. This was proven when I brought a fiberglass industry into town in recent months. The town and the administration have also assisted in the expansion of WARCO, and are assisting in the expansion of Burd Manufacturing, Simon Container, and Kidder-Stacy."

"We've created an open door policy with developers and commercial and industrial people to strengthen our industrial base. We feel that an expanded industrial base is one of the keys to keeping the tax rate at a responsible level. We are working to bring businesses and industries





# Community Town

tion in 1855, Agawam developed town, the reason being the religion and type of employment in Center, and Feeding Hills. There had a woolen mill and a ns, by 1900 it showed signs of ing Hills had the largest farms and Agawam had become a mill characteristics of these three of parks on the political front in there still remains a sense of

first to have water supplied from has sidewalks and fire-fighting e of the first Catholic church. do not mean this section is the eloment did not begin until after lished in 1840. ch families began arriving from y way of Canada or the eastern hurch was built French speaking er 1900 that Italian families began e here and buggy days, nor was y far. People lived near their place work was not a matter of dashing files of heavy traffic as it is today; ill whistle, rolled out of bed and

North Agawam until 1862; the bridge and railroad tracks to the n the West Springfield side of the s Maineague Hollow there were l station, a hotel, livery stable, and coal company office. rised soon sprang up in North ls of the villagers. By 1913, the n a directory: r and bluing, Charles Comette; nds and Drum Corp., rches, Dan Collins and Ovid osoph Fontaine; carpenters and etic Amos Gosselen, Arthur cigs and tobacco, Joseph fru, Michael Foisey and Mrs. nhest Power Co. and Agawam Margaret Moriarty; drygoods, an, Walter Letellier; fish and e; prest, Mrs. George Cooley; pper, Worthy Paper Co. Assn.; D. Lesette, Fontani & Balboni; r ink; music teacher, Norbet

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er News would sincerely like to preparing the following article nch is currently working on a Agawam and we appreciate the of a busy schedule to assist us.

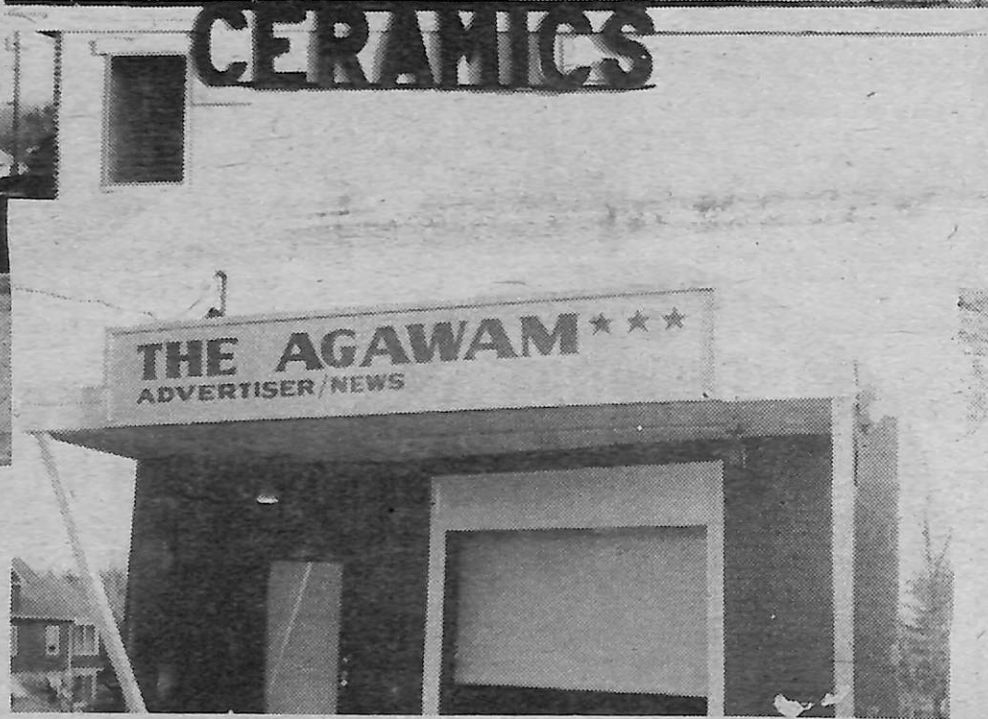
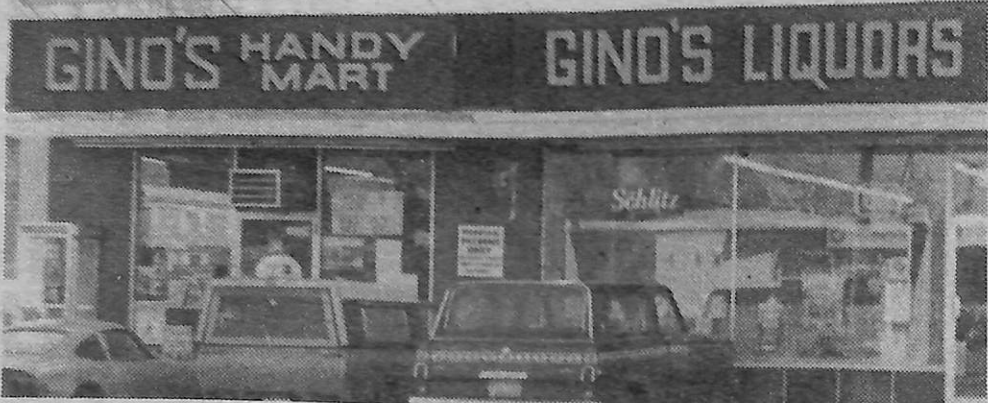
which will complement our community and follow a logical pattern of growth."

Joseph Napolitan, president of the Agawam Businessmen's Association, had the following comments to make on the business community in our town:

"Business growth in Agawam has slow, but stable. We now have in town many fine businesses which employ many residents.

Agawam is primarily a small-business community with mostly individual businessmen who own and operate their establishments. We do not have giant corporations.

Agawam is a good place to conduct business, and I encourage other companies to come into Agawam because it has a lot to offer."



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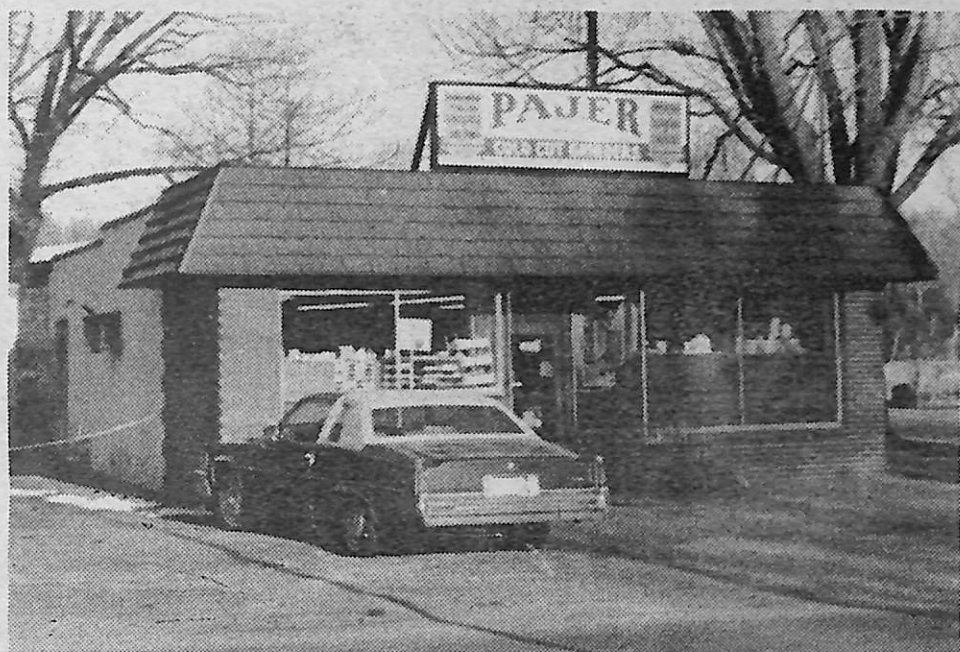
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PAJER BROS. MEAT MARKET, as it was in Springfield in 1934.



PAJER'S SUPERETTE as it is now on Cooper Street, Agawam. photo by Jack Devine

## Pajer's Superette - Italian Specialities Abound

In 1934, two brothers, Fred and Paul Pajer, opened a store specializing in Italian meats, cold cuts, and imported foods in the South End of Springfield on Columbus Avenue. They operated at that location until 1958 when route 91 went through and bypassed Columbus Avenue.

The store they opened in Agawam is still at the same location on the corner where Suffield, Raleigh, and Cooper Streets meet. Pajer's Superette is still featuring Italian cold cuts and other meats, imported cheeses, macaroni products, and olive oil.

They also make their own sausage, salami, and prociutti. Mrs. Pajer produces home-made tortolini each week. Italian sweets are available around

Christmas time. A big portion of their take-out business is in grinders made on loaves of Italian bread.

Paul Pajer is now deceased, and Fred retired four years ago. The store is now operated by Fred's son Alfred, also called Fred, who has one brother no longer actively involved with the store.

Despite the fact that his son has taken over the day-to-day management of the store, Father Fred still likes to keep his hand in the way things are done. It's difficult to break the pattern of almost 50 years standing, and if one visits Pajer's Superette early on a weekday morning, he will most likely run into Fred doing his part to insure that the running of the store conforms to past standards.

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is hosting an afternoon snowshoe walk on Saturday, January 20 at 2 p.m.

The leisure, outdoor activity will take participants along the forested trails surrounding the 260-acre wildlife sanctuary. The history of Laughing Brook, as it enters its 11th year will be a topic of conversation as veteran outdoors-people, Ellis and Elsie Pritchard lead visitors through the woodlands.

The snowshoe walk is open to the public and free to Laughing Brook visitors, paying regular sanctuary admission. For more information call Laughing Brook at 566-3571.



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## Spring Is Just Around The Corner!

### The Hiccup Hex

Hiccups are not symptoms of digestive disorders. They're signs of a disruption in breathing.

Hiccups happen when there's a spasm in the diaphragm, the breathing muscle, which causes the windpipe to shut. The spasms can be set off when anyone eats or drinks too much or too fast. Laughing or swallowing air can set off a siege of hiccups. Smokers and snorers, who gulp down more air than most people, can be especially prone to hiccups.

Both food and air go into the upper throat. But at a critical point, according to the Western Massachusetts Lung Association, they take harpily different routes. Just before we swallow anything, including food or saliva, we

take in a little air and then hold our breath. This closes a valve in the upper throat called a glottis so that anything we swallow is forced down the passage that leads to the stomach.

However, the minute we talk or laugh, we start to breathe. (Just try talking while you hold your breath) The glottis opens to let air travel into the windpipe and lungs.

Whenever normal breathing is interrupted and there's a spasm in the diaphragm, however, the glottis shuts. The sound of the hiccup is the squeak made by the tiny amount of air that manages to sneak by the closed glottis.

To help hiccup sufferers, several years ago a medical researcher at the University of California School of Medicine found that most persons in good health, who had not been hiccuping for more than several hours, got prompt relief from one spoonful of sugar -- taken straight. If hiccups persist for more than six hours at a stretch or keep cropping up, this can be a sign of trouble and should be checked out with a doctor.

To find out more about breathing disorders, contact the Western Massachusetts Lung Association--"The Christmas Seal People." "It's a matter of life and breath."

### PAJER'S SUPERETTE

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FEDERAL HILL CLUB, Cooper Street, Agawam. photo by Jack Devine

## Federal Hill Club - Agawam's Oldest Restaurant

The Federal Hill Club, our oldest restaurant situated in one of our oldest houses, had its beginnings in 1928 when two brothers, Nino and Ray Moretti, brought continental dining to Agawam. At that time they established standards which have been upheld ever since.

Though the physical structure has changed somewhat over the years, the basic service and set-ups have remained the same, even to the custom of employing black waiters as they did in the beginning.

All the food is still prepared to order with little reliance on modern kitchen gadgets. They do have modern slicing equipment, ovens, and so on, but take pride in doing much of the food preparation by hand.

Parts of the original house are over 300 years old, but

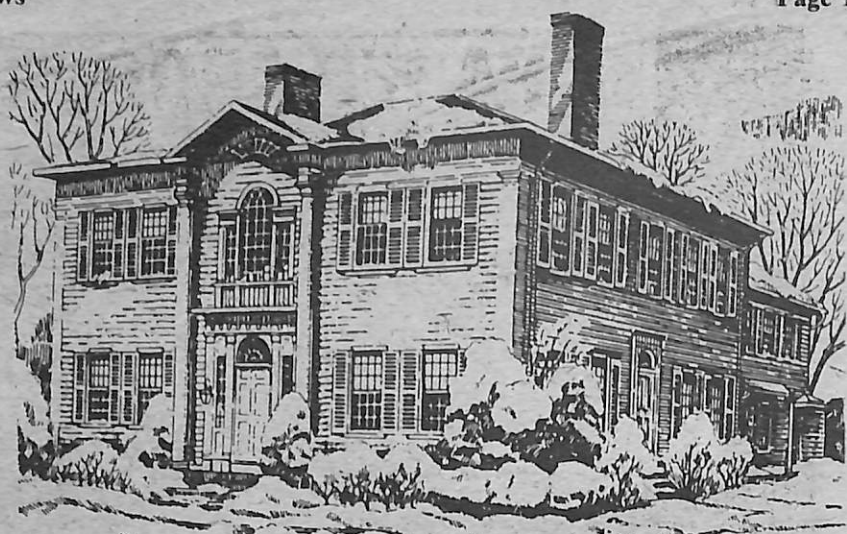
changes in the facilities have evolved for various reasons. According to Nino Moretti, the renovation involved in making the O'Connor Room came about because the former mayor of Springfield, Tom O'Connor, wanted his wedding reception at the Federal Hill Club. The club did not have a room big enough to accommodate the large number of invited guests, and in order to handle the party, they did some remodeling and produced the room that has been named for the former mayor.

The main dining room, an expanded lounge area, and rest room facilities are among some other changes made to the original house. Much work has also been done to the outside of the building to keep it looking good, particularly the installation of aluminum siding.

From 1928-1973, the Federal Hill Club was maintained as a private club where members met to socialize and dine. In 1973 the restaurant opened to the public with a full liquor license.

Ray Moretti is now deceased, and Nino has turned the management of the restaurant over to Ray's daughters, Ivanna "Vava" Moretti and Dianna Rossi. These women had grown up with the business and are striving to maintain the high standards of excellence in food and service set by their father and uncle.

They, too, believe in what Nino says, "Love and pride have kept us going through the years in this business."

THE CAPTAIN CHARLES LEONARD HOUSE — BUILT 1805  
AGAWAM, MASSACHUSETTS

The Captain Charles Leonard House is a fine example of a spacious Georgian Home. This two story structure was built by Captain Charles Leonard in 1805 and it is believed to have been designed by the famed local architect, Benjamin Asher.

Originally a stage tavern, it was the first overnight stop on the road from Hartford to points north. It was here that the weary traveler was housed and the horses changed before beginning on with the journey north.

Upon entering the tavern through the stage door that still remains intact, women would turn left into the South Parlor, while the gentlemen would turn right into the Tap Room.

As you pass through the charming "broad front door" into the large reception hall, with its carved arch, you might wonder at the hundreds of journey-worn travelers who once sought the comfort and refuge within these walls. It is interesting to note that both the entrance hall and the upstairs hall were used for dancing in those early days.

The front entrance is truly a work of elegant artistry with its sidelights and fan window

above the door. On the second floor level is a well designed Palladian Window above which is the arch roof with yet another fan window. The entire front structure is supported by two simple but graceful columns from ground level to roof top.

Just to the immediate right and left of the main entrance are the South and North Parlors respectively. Each of these two rooms, including the Tap Room, have their own fireplaces with the original hearthstones. Although furnished with many pieces of authentic furniture, these rooms are significant in their own right being enhanced with wainscoting, dados, chair rails, recessed windows and deeply carved moldings all of which are original.

Beyond the South Parlor is the Tap Room with its wide floor boards and Dutch Oven. It was through the horizontally divided doors on each side of the room that "the Inn Keeper served the Gentry on the Parlor side of the hostlers and Menials, or servants, on the Kitchen side." Of particular interest is the Flip Closet just to the side of the bake oven.

At the far end of the entrance hall is the now renovated assembly hall that still serves the public on various occasions.

Through the years the Captain Charles Leonard House has exchanged ownership many times until finally purchased by a prominent civic-minded citizen, Mrs. Minerva Davis. In 1938 Mrs. Davis had the house restored to its present state. Thereafter Mrs. Davis established the property as a Community House for the Town of Agawam.

Even today you can look out of its arched windows and gaze across a spacious, landscaped lawn. The Captain Charles Leonard House stands firmly rooted in history! In all its majestic splendor the house reminds us of our great heritage.

The property is owned by the Captain Charles Leonard House Incorporated and managed by its Board of Trustees all of whom are local people. It was admitted to the National Register of Historic Places on March 10, 1975 where it takes its rightful place beside other Nationally significant sites.

Reprinted courtesy of the Captain Charles Leonard House.



Agawam Food Mart, Springfield Street, Agawam.

photo by Jack Devine

## Learn About Whales

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden, is sponsoring an evening of activities dedicated to learning about whales on Friday, January 19. The series of slides, music, films and talks will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be held at the Thornton W. Burgess School on Wilbraham Rd., Hampden.

The program will feature an inspiring color film, "In search of a biologist's quest to learn about one of the world's rarest creatures."

A narrated slide presentation "Whale Watching in Massachusetts" will also be shown. Books, pamphlets and other educational materials dealing with learning more about whales themselves will be displayed.

The "Evening with Whales" is geared for family enjoyment and is open to the public.

Admission at the door is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students.

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# Editorials



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### To the Editor:

On behalf of the Western Massachusetts Lung Association, the "Christmas Seal People" and the Board of Directors, I wish to thank you for the excellent cooperation and public service time that you and your newspaper have offered to the work of the Christmas Seal Agency in the past year.

As we look ahead to 1979, our primary mission will be to continue education and prevention of lung-related diseases as we try to improve the quality of respiratory care for all of the community.

The media is crucial to the results of our work. I look forward to working with you in this new year with continuous educational material for the public.

Again, thank you for your support.

Sincerely,  
Mario J. Sakellis  
Director of Development

### To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to your editorial on the purchase of a 40 acre park in Feeding Hills. Your editor did not do her homework and has confused several separate issues with the acquisition of desperately needed public open space. Therefore, I wish to set the record straight, as rarely does an opportunity such as this to provide a much needed service while saving tax dollars present itself to the town.

The purchase of the park has taken several years of work (by volunteer personnel) to first fulfill the eligibility requirements: i.e. a conservation and recreation plan approved by the state, identifying high priority public recreation needs, a conservation commission established under Section 8C of Chapter 40 (hardly a "special interest" group). Then the application itself requires voluminous paperwork including full appraisals, photographs, plans, on site inspections, legal descriptions, etc; it is also subject to a project selection system including demographic factors, project quality characteristics and is including demographic factors, project quality characteristics and is further subject to an inter-agency review including the Office of State Planning, the Mass. Commission Against Discrimination, Mass. Dept. of Community Affairs all of which have eligibility requirements. Further more, State and Federal allocation of funds for purchase of Conservation Recreation

lands has always been far below the demand. This year the funding was available and Agawam was one of only 28 towns in the Commonwealth to receive funding. I include all of this to make the point that this was not some spur of the moment idea.

Because Mr. Solitario chose to give a partial donation of this property, the Town of Agawam was presented an incomparable bargain. Purchasing this land, appraised at \$114,500 for a cost to the Town of \$17,750 will not only have no effect on the tax rate, because the money for the purchase is already in the stabilization fund; but will in fact save the town, according to Master Plan figures, more than \$9,000 per year of the ever spiraling cost of school and government services. How?

Revenue from single family housing does not cover its full cost to the tax payer and in fact development of this approved subdivision would have cost far more than it will ever cost to purchase, develop and maintain it as parkland over the years.

While I agree with you that parks often do become a target of vandalism, would you negate the benefits of open space and recreation programs to the entire town because of the senseless acts of a few troublemakers? Better policing of these areas is a separate issue and should be demanded by our citizens.

As you can see, I feel the purchase of this parkland for its citizens is Agawam's "bargain of the century." Thank you for printing this rather lengthy explanation of our point of view but I felt it was necessary to set the record straight.

Yours Truly,  
Dorothy A. Nelsen  
Land Acquisition Committee  
Agawam Conservation Commission

### To The Editor:

I would like to take the time to thank the Agawam Advertiser/News for the time and effort put in helping the Center for Human Development Outreach Program in recruiting Agawam residents for CETA Employment and Training programs. The response from the Agawam Advertiser/News has been extremely positive. Hopefully these community articles and advertisements will help Agawam residents secure gainful employment. Thank you for helping us to help the community of Agawam.

Sincerely,  
Beth L. Edelberg  
Program Director

## ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

Copies of the Agawam Advertiser/News may be purchased at the following locations: The Dairy Mart, Main Street, Agawam Center; Feeding Hills Public Market, Springfield Street; Valley Farms Mini Mart, Southwick Street; Colonial News Stand, Southwick Street; Feeding Hills Pharmacy, Feeding Hills Center; Edward's Drug Store, Springfield Street; Cascios Nursery, Meadow Street; Mitch's Nursery, Suffield Street; Soda City, Walnut Street; Sinfonia Music, Springfield Street; Dairy Mart, North Westfield Street; Dairy Mart, River Road & Main Streets; Dairy Mart, South End Bridge Circle.

## From the State House

Rep. Edward W. Connelly

The 1979-1980 session of the legislature has been inaugurated and theoretically "open for business."

An overwhelming vote against a rules reform package, submitted by a coalition of Republicans and dissident Democrats, provides a background of "business as usual" which will prevail in the selection of leadership for the majority party as well as committee chairpersons and committee members.

While many members voted on a separate motion to modify the rules, the coalition maintained a strong posture for secret ballots. I believe a good number of the members have strong belief that the process of government must be kept open. The fear of "retribution" was dramatically overplayed and, I believe, needlessly so. Legislators, elected by a constituency to fully, openly represent that constituency, must be held accountable in every aspect of legislative participation, and to this end, the retention of open ballot did survive.

The Republican caucus took a lead in adopting major reforms within their own party. The Minority Leader was elected by ballot, and the Assistant Leaders confirmed by a caucus vote after appointment.

Committee membership for the minority members are being selected by a democratically elected Steering and Policy Committee and ratified by caucus vote. A big step taken by the Minority party in assuming the role of loyal opposition!

It is apparent, however, that the failure of the coalition to change the 100 year old House rules procedures will now force them to take their case to the people in the form of initiative petition in 1980. Several citizen action groups are gearing up to support this cause.

## Job Counselor to Speak

Have you recently been widowed, divorced, or at home with children for several years? Mary Virginia Wirtz, a Job Counselor at the Massachusetts Division of Employment Security will speak on "Overcoming Fear About Returning to School or Labor Market," at the YWCA "Nooning With A Difference" series on Friday, January 19, at the YWCA, 26 Howard Street, Springfield.

In this introduction to a job counseling session, Ms. Wirtz will briefly mention how to identify your immediate employable skills. How to determine your long-range educational and career goals. How to turn skills learned in volunteer work into paid employment. And what scholarship assistance is available.

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## From The Editors Desk



This week we are saluting the Agawam Business Community - and what a community it is! When we were in the planning stages of this issue, we had no idea of the type of response we would get to our endeavors. The response was, to say the least, overwhelming. We were amazed at the number of businesses located in our town. Of course, we have contact with many of the larger ones, but to find so many small, one-man(or woman) enterprises amazed us! It's great! Small business is the backbone of our country.

Our staff has labored (and I do mean labored) over this issue with a dedication that is rare. They are all to be congratulated on the excellent job they have done. This is our largest issue to date - and that makes us both proud and grateful. Save this issue and use it to aid you in your shopping. Whatever you may be looking for; whatever service you may need; you're sure to find it here, in your own back yard. Our businesses contribute much to our tax base, and you should do your utmost to support them every chance you get. **Shop Locally - Support Agawam!**

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While I'm on the subject of business and the tax base, I would like to say a few words about the proposed race track. You've probably heard something about it by now - most probably rumors. A lot of you are making judgements on this issue without being informed of the facts. In an effort to rectify this situation, beginning next week, we will carry a series of articles which we hope will enlighten you on the subject. We will present only facts - we will reserve our editorial comments until the proper time - we will learn with you exactly what the proposal entails, and what we can expect to gain-or lose-by having a race track in Agawam. So, as they say - stay tuned!

## THANKS!

Many thanks to Dave MacWilliams of Agawam T.V. If it weren't for Dave, this paper would probably have been published a day or two late. It seems that as we were putting the paper together on Sunday, our typesetting machine decided it had had enough for the day, and quit. After much probing, gnashing of teeth, a few profane words and as many gestures, we discovered that a small, hard to find, odd sized fuse had blown out in the machine. Since it was just another Blue Law Sunday to the rest of Massachusetts, we were at wits end trying to think of a place to obtain that very small, but very necessary fuse.

Since a typesetter and a T.V. aren't that far apart, we decided to give Dave a call to see if he might not have what we needed-even though he was at home. Voila! Dave came through and saved the day! Thanks again.

## Agawam Town Council to Meet

There will be a regular meeting of the Agawam Town Council on Tuesday, January 16 at 8 p.m. at the Agawam Junior High School.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held in the Agawam Town Hall, Hearing Rm., Tuesday, February 6, 1979, at 8:00 P.M., to discuss the proposed changes in route and fare of the Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc. Springfield to Agawam bus route.

BY ORDER OF THE PIONEER VALLEY  
TRANSIT AUTHORITY  
TERRY E. TORNEK, Administrator  
January 16, 1979

### LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE

#### MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by WILLIAM J. RACINE JR. and GLORIA J. RACINE, husband and wife, both of Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, to WESTFIELD SAVINGS BANK dated May 1, 1974, and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 3961, Page 142, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, there will be sold at public auction at nine o'clock on Tuesday, February 13, 1979 on the premises hereinafter described, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage, said premises being therein described substantially as follows, to wit:

"a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in AGAWAM, Hampden County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southerly line of Sterling Road at a rod at the northeasterly corner of land now or formerly of one Martyny, distant eighty and 54/100 (80.54) feet Westerly, measuring along the said southerly line of Sterling Road from land now or formerly of one Pope; thence running

WESTERLY, on said Sterling Road, eighty and 46/100 (80.46) feet to a rod at land now or formerly of one Norton; thence

SOUTHERLY, on last named land and at right angles with said Road, One Hundred Fifty (150) feet to a rod at the southeasterly corner of said land now or formerly of Norton; thence

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NORTHERLY, by last named land to the rod at the place of beginning.

Being the same premises conveyed to us by deed of Robert M. Hinz et ux dated April 16, 1965, recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 3105, Page 274.

Including as part of the realty all portable or sectional buildings at any time placed upon said premises and all elevators, pipes, oil burners, furnaces, heaters, hot water heaters, ranges, refrigerators, refrigerating apparatus, plumbing, gas and electric fixtures, screens, screen doors, storm doors and windows, mantels, shades, awnings, and all other fixtures of whatever kind and nature at present or hereafter installed in or on the granted premises which renders such articles usable in connection therewith so far as the same are or can be by agreement of parties be made a part of the realty."

The above premises will be sold subject to all outstanding municipal taxes, tax titles, assessments or liens, if any.

One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) will be required to be paid in cash, bank check, or certified check by the purchaser at the time and place of sale as earnest money; other terms to be announced at the sale.

WESTFIELD SAVINGS BANK

By Thomas J. Howard Jr.  
Its Treasurer  
Westfield, MA  
Scharoff and Smith, P. C., Attorneys  
January 4, 1979

Published: January 9, 16, 23, 1979



## UNICO Annual Dinner Dance to be Held

Springfield UNICO will hold their 33rd annual dinner dance on Saturday, January 20 at Chez Josef, Agawam, at 8 p.m.

A social hour with hot hors d'oeuvres will be at 6:30, and Jay Contrino's orchestra will furnish dance music from 9 to 1 a.m.

Rocco J. Perrone of Longmeadow, a 25-year member, will be honored as "man of the year." He is

chairman of UNICO National Athletic Awards and of Ted Plumb UNICO award committee. He received a certificate for his outstanding success of 1978 National Collegiate Division II Ice Hockey Championship.

Making the presentation will be UNICO President John Odierna. For reservations, contact Frank Galli, 27 Emerson Road, Agawam, or any UNICO member.

## The Army Has Come to Town

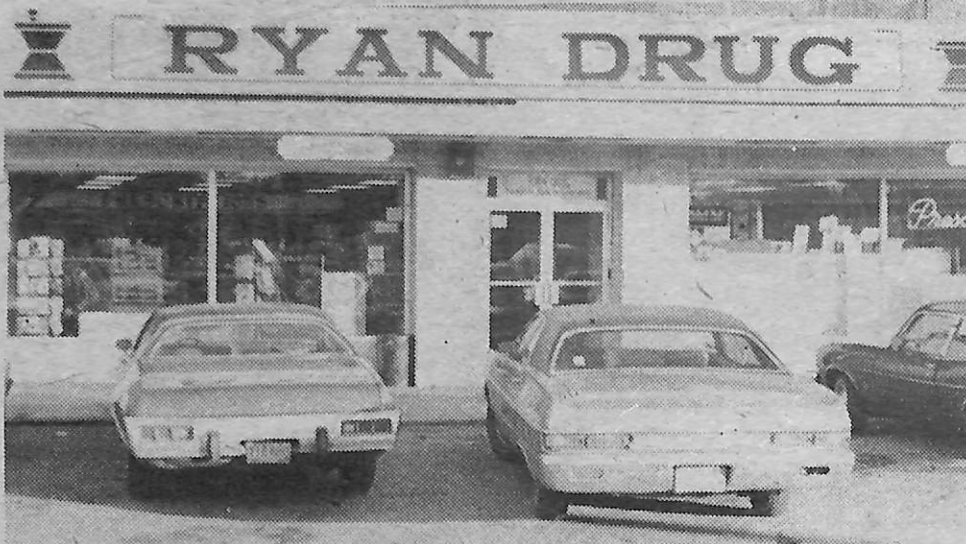
The Army has come to town with the opening of its new recruiting office at 335 Walnut St. Ext. The office, which covers Agawam, Feeding Hills, and West Springfield, is headed by Staff Sergeant Allen Cudd, a recruiter in the Springfield area for the past three years.

A native of Georgia, A. Sgt. Cudd entered the Army in 1970 as an armor reconnaissance specialist. After training at Ft. Polk, La. and Ft. Knox, Ky., he served in both Europe and California before starting recruiting duty in Massachusetts.

The graduate of the Army Recruiting and Career Counseling Academy, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind., now resides at Westover Air Force Base and serves as deacon of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Springfield.

Joining S. Sgt. Cudd at his Agawam office to talk about the variety of military opportunities will be fellow recruiters Sgt. I.C. Claude Brown of the Army National Guard and Sgt. I.C. Kent Michel of the U.S. Army Reserve.

Prospective local applicants may contact the recruiters each weekday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. or phone 789-1577. Saturday and week night hours are by appointment only.



Ryan Drug Store, Agawam Center photo by Jack Devine

## Ryan Drug Relocates

Ryan's Drug Store has been in Agawam serving the residents of our town since 1957. Last October 29, they moved from their original location on Walnut Street Extension to their present location at 713 Main Street, site of the former Agawam Pharmacy.

Not only did Ryan's take

over the former pharmacy building, but they also retained its former owner, Charlie Shore, to work with them. Herve LeBeau has continued as manager with Bob Arnold carrying on as assistant manager.

Ryan's has expanded all of the lines they carry now that they have more than doubled

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## National Secretaries to Meet

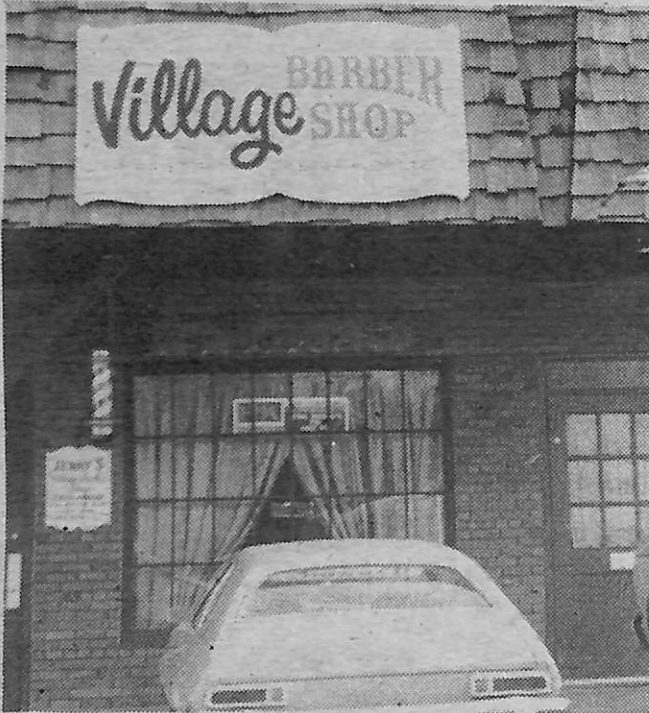
The Springfield Chapter of the National Secretaries Association (International) will hold its regular meeting on January 17 at the Colosseum Banquet House, West Springfield, beginning with cocktails at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Charles E. Everett, executive director and corporate officer of the Western Massachusetts P.S.R.O., Inc. and Health Care Foundation of Western Massachusetts, Inc.

Immediately following Mr. Everett's presentation, President Dee Thompson will conduct the chapter's regular monthly business meeting.

Area secretaries interested in becoming affiliated with Springfield Chapter are invited to contact Mrs. Louise Hannifin at Mass. Mutual Life Insurance Co., State Street, Springfield.

Springfield Chapter holds monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at the Colosseum Banquet House, West Springfield.



VILLAGE BARBER SHOP, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills photo by Jack Devine

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AGAWAM FUNERAL HOME, established in 1955, during Agawam's Centennial, by Walter J. Soja. Located at 184 Main Street, it was Agawam's first funeral home. photo by Jack Devine

## Shaer's Market - Then and Now

Back around 1948, Dom Shaer began his career in retailing food with a produce truck and soon found that this particular method of selling was very strenuous. When the opportunity arose, he set up a store selling fruits and groceries across from the Eastern States Exposition grounds in West Springfield. Due to poor parking facilities and heavy traffic during the Expo time, Dom decided to make the move in 1954 to what is still the store's location in Feeding Hills Center. He purchased the

store which had once been operated by the Kellogg family and later by Ferry and Bardwell. Shaer had all six of his children go into some apprenticeship at the store, and since Dom's recent death, his oldest son Joe has taken over the management of the store. His youngest son John, presently a senior at Agawam High School, also helps out daily. Dom's family is still trying to provide the personal touch that originated with their father. They will still carry

heavy grocery bundles out to the car for customers or take out a few minutes to discuss life with those who frequent the store. They feel this is all part of

being a success in business in a close-knit community like Feeding Hills and have proven through the years that they're right.

## Welcome To My World

by Charles Duclos

### Coursey Conducts Court

Around the Food Mart - Walnut Street area, there's a peppy young fellow of 82, who seems to have cornered the market on dispensing happiness to all. With a sprightly step and a snappy salute, Joe Coursey (Mr. Coursey to the younger set) is never too busy to break stride and pass the time of day. Weather permitting, he lights up our lives from his "throne" in front of the Food Mart. Joe is short and rotund; he has a jolly laugh, and if he sported a white beard, Well.....

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Recently my wife, Joanna, and I stopped for a sandwich and a drink at J.W. Wimpy's restaurant on Walnut St. Ext. The food was great; the atmosphere carried one back to the 20's and 30's; the night was rounded-out by the considerate service offered by Rose Moccio, originally the hostess, but for this night a "pinch-hitting" waitress, who was super. We'll be back!!

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Now that the holidays are over the bathroom scale and I have become friends again.

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Just purchased three fire/smoke detectors for the house. The sales clerk at Zayres indicated that during last week's sale, the store sold-out its complete shipment, but that the 400 rainchecks given were being filled as quickly as possible. We got ours within a week. I sleep a little more comfortably now.



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## Our Feathered Friends

by Mary Os

Last week's column about Evening Grosbeaks was hardly written when a large flock of these attractive birds began a sojourn at my feeder which has continued into the fifth day.

There are at least forty birds in the flock, and they seem to have a ravenous appetite for the sunflower seeds offered at the platform feeder.

But this week's column is dedicated to a pair of more constant and reliable visitors, two Downy Woodpeckers.

Downy Woodpeckers are common throughout the United States and are year round residents. These sparrow-sized birds are a bright black and white. The male has a red patch on the back of his head which is absent in the female. Otherwise, the sexes are similar. They have black wings barred with white and have distinct black eye bands. A vertical white stripe down the back is a field mark worth looking for.

They appear to be smaller versions of the Hairy Woodpecker. On close inspection, it will be noted that the hairy's bill is much heavier and that the downy is nearly always a good three inches shorter in length.

The Downy Woodpecker is a friendly bird, which will allow a human to approach slowly and will fly off only

when truly threatened.

In the winter, it is likely to stick close to a loose flock of chickadees and titmice. Frequently a feeding station visitor, the downy will usually head for suet. This is to be expected as his natural diet consists of ants and boring insects, spiders, snails, as well as some seeds and fruits.

They are interesting to watch as they patiently comb over tree branches looking for food. The strong claws and stiff tail aid them greatly in their pursuit of food.

In the spring, a pair of Downy Woodpeckers will begin boring out a nest. Usually the site is a dead limb 5-50 feet off the ground in woodlands or orchards. Sometimes, however, a misdirected bird may be observed doing serious damage to a house or other wooden structure.

They peck out a gourd-shaped excavation 6 to 10 inches deep. The entrance hole will have a diameter of 1 1/4 inches.

Four to five eggs are laid and take about twelve days to hatch. Approximately three weeks later, the young take flight, and the parents may raise another brood.

Since Downy Woodpeckers live from four to ten years if they survive the first year, they may become almost like pets in their loyalty to your feeder.

## Management Seminar

Most families are expressing concern about inflation, daily living costs, credit costs, retirement plans, record keeping - in general, managing family resources effectively.

The Hampden County Extension Service will sponsor a Management Workshop Thursday, January 25, 10:00 - 2:30 p.m., at the Extension Offices. Helen Roberts, Extension Family Economics Educator will lead the workshop, which is free and open to the public regardless of race, color or national origin.

Pre-registration is necessary. You may call 736-7204 or write Diana Muller, 1499 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield. A list of materials to bring to the workshop will be sent upon registration.



NISSEN'S BAKERY THRIFT STORE, Main Street, Agawam. Photo by Jack Devine

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to know that I am ready to fight for good bills from committee right through to the Senate," Connelly said.

Holland emphasized the necessity to make the leadership accessible to the rank and file party members. "We must all work together, making each other aware of Republican positions on the issues. I feel each and every member of the caucus should be thought of as a legislative resource person. It is important for us all to share our ideas," Holland explained to the caucus members.

Card expressed his willingness to work with the leadership, emphasizing that he and Robinson had agreed more times in the past on issues than they had disagreed. "However, I shall always exercise independence," he noted, adding that he was honored by Robinson's appointment and the caucus' approval of his appointment.

## Look What's Happening Here!

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# Sports

## Piranhas Finish First Half of Season

Well Piranha fans, there's bad news and good news. The bad news being that on January 6, we were defeated by the Springfield Sharks by a score of 716-366. The good news is Agawam's 8 and under boys put down Springfield 61-48. They maintained their undefeated record against the toughest team in the league!

According to Coach Judy Gregory, these young swimmers have an outstanding chance of becoming League Champions in their age group.

In age-group competitive swimming, one not only keeps an eye on the final statistics of the meet but a close watch on the age-group divisions. A team which loses in the final tally can still be a winner in one or more divisions of a meet.

When we go to the championships in February, each swimmer will be competing for individual trophies and ribbons as well as placement for their team.

They will be seeded (rated) according to the top times they swam in the season competitions.

We now have a record of 1 win and 4 losses. We have met the strongest teams in the first half of the season. If we can win the next 4 meets our season record will be 5 and 4 when we go to the championships.

We will meet with Wilbraham, at Minnechaug Regional High School, on Saturday, January 13, and with Amherst at home on January 20.

**Coming Attractions--What is the Piranha Challenge?**

## AHS Wrestling Team Now 8-0

The Agawam High School wrestling team added two more victories to bring its season record to 8-0.

Agawam traveled to Amherst on Saturday, January 6th, and combined a forfeit, three pins provided by Dan Guthrie (147), Jerry Mason (140), and Steve Fields (114); two major decisions - 12-0 by Frank Bonavita (121) and 9-0 by Steve Squegli (100); along with three regular decisions - 9-2 by Gary Geiger (134), 1-0 by Ross Fogg (169), and 8-2 by Bob Schwein (107) to defeat powerful Frontier Regional 41-15.

In Westfield on January 10th, the Agawam grapplers turned back the Westfield Bombers 35-17 by winning 9 of 12 matches.

Agawam scoring went as follows: two pins - by Bob Schwein and Steve Fields; a superior decision - 12-0 by Steve Squegli; a major decision - 10-2 by Jerry Mason; four regular decisions - 3-0 by Frank Bonavita, 4-0 by Gary Geiger, 4-1 by Dan Guthrie, 5-0 by Ross Fogg. Joe Pezzimenti (157) wrestled to a 1-1 tie to complete the Brownie scoring.

After eight meets, the wrestling team has compiled 392 points, with only 102 scored against them by all eight opponents.



**BILLIARDS ENTERPRISES INC. - Rack 'n Cue and Agawam Bowl, located on Walnut Street Ext., Agawam Shopping Center. photo by Jack Devine**

## Billiards Enterprises Inc. A Family Recreation Center

In 1963, the Tetreault Family started a billiard room called the Rack n Cue. Because of the unpopular atmosphere surrounding pool halls, skeptics gave the Tetreaults less than six months to stay in business.

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The Rack n Cue was and is, the only family orientated billiard room in the area. They offer family recreation in a clean, well-kept atmosphere. Original oil paintings by area artists are displayed in the Billiard room. Computerized timers are used and a well stocked pro-shop offers the billiard enthusiast all he needs in the way of equipment and repair work.

After the Rack n Cue was established, the Tetreaults decided to expand, and in 1972 opened the Agawam Bowl. They moved the original Rack n Cue next door to the bowling alleys in the Agawam Shopping Center, and now had twice as much family recreation to offer Agawam residents.

Agawam Bowl is run in the same, well-kept, freindly tradition as the Rack n Cue.

It has approximately 800 league bowlers weekly, and public bowling is offered throughout the week for the occasional bowler. It has a snack bar and a well equipped pro-shop. Bowling tips to improve your game can be obtained from their well trained staff. A new addition to Agawam Bowl is the spacious nursery, which makes bowling more convenient for those with children.

Agawam Bowl and the Rack n Cue offer family recreation for all ages, ranging from youngsters to senior citizens. The Tetreault family and their operation has grown from a small two employee operation to eleven employees and two large buildings. They provide Agawam residents with good clean family fun in an inviting atmosphere.

## Blackhawks Lose First Game

The 10-12 A Blackhawks, coached by Ed Drewnowski

lost their first league game to Van Horn by a score of 5-2. They played very aggressive hockey the second and third period but it was not enough to overcome Van Horn's early lead. Goals were scored by Kevin Mercadante and Jay Passerini with assists from Joe Dussault, Paul Ferraro and Chris Juzba.

Agawam bounced back in the next game to defeat Westfield 3-0. Goals were scored by Dennis Drewnowski, Dean Liptak and John O'Malley, with assists from Peter Sibilia, Kevin Mercadante and Erik Blanchard.

A blocked penalty shot by David Liptak in Goal enabled Agawam to hold East Longmeadow to a 1-1 tie and spoil East Longmeadow's perfect record. The only goal was scored by Jay Passerini with assists from Bill Beauregard and Mike Santori.

In a game played outside the league, Agawam defeated the Suffield Flyers, 9-1.

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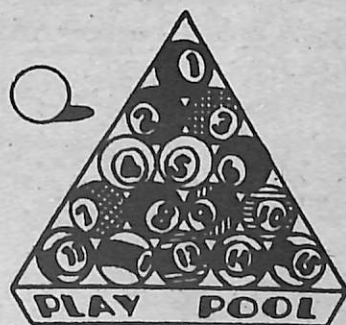
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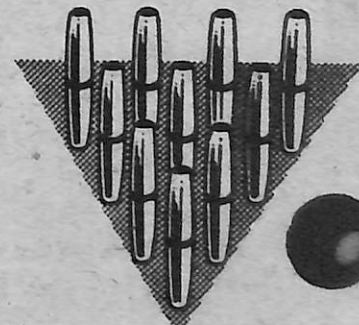
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## Sportsmen's Corner

by Bill Chiba



The devastating winter kill in 1978 of the deer herd in Vermont did accomplish one major thing. It made the people in the Vermont Legislature feel partly responsible for what happened. A good sign is the proposal made by the environmental secretary, Brendan Whittaker, that management of the Vermont deer herd be turned over to the Fish and Game Board.

The Game Board has been holding hearing throughout the state on deer-herd management; however, one nagging question on the taking of antlerless deer keeps popping up.

In an attempt to lay rumors to rest, the Vermont Department has never advocated a straight out, either sex deer season similar to those held in Maine and New Hampshire. The department does not recommend this type of season under modern Vermont hunting conditions.

What Vermont biologists want instead is to have hunters take limited, yet adequate, numbers of antlerless deer under some kind of permit for particular, well-defined zones. A system similar to the one that is working so successfully in Massachusetts is desired. The numbers of permits would be determined after winter mortality has been evaluated each year.

In short, the biologists want to cut down the numbers of wintering deer to fit the existing poor quality winter range. By such action, excess competition for food would be relieved, and the forest would begin to have better regeneration for new deer.

food and timber products. A minimum period for management to prove itself is ten years.

### HUNTING AIDS

A good example of how effective good management is is the return of the Pronghorn in Texas. Massive herds roamed the West Texas ranges prior to the influx of the great longhorn cattle herds. By 1924, the antelope was close to extinction, the victim of encroaching civilization.

In that year, with only 2400 antelope surviving in Texas, state wildlife biologists began an intensive program of trapping and transplanting herds.

Now, research recently completed by the Range and Wildlife Management Department of Texas Tech University shows the Pronghorn is making a comeback. Much of the credit belongs to the state's hunters, they say.

With the reopening of controlled hunting leases from 1941 to 1961, ranchers who normally opposed the antelope because it competed with livestock for forage, had an incentive to preserve large enough herds (Money talks!) to support the annual hunting season, during which hunters pay them substantial lease fees.

According to the Texas Tech study, the Pronghorn counted last year numbered 10,000 strong.

## How To Vote For The Outstanding Athlete Award

In order to vote for the 'Outstanding Athlete' our readers should complete the ballot on this page. All citizens of Agawam are eligible to vote for the SENIOR athlete in the four categories - Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Wrestling and Boys Swimming (circle the appropriate sport). Fill in the athlete's name, your name, address, and phone number. Mail the form to the Agawam Advertiser/News at P.O. Box 233 Agawam, Ma. 01001. The purpose of the award is twofold: (1) to increase community interest in the high school athletic program, and (2) to recognize the individual talents of our amateur athletes.

Tabulation of all ballots will be handled by the staff of the Agawam Advertiser/News. The deadline for the Winter sports category is March 15, 1979.

Individuals eligible for the award are Agawam High School Senior Athletes (graduating in 1979) who participate in sports which the Agawam Athletic Association sponsors teams.

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## TOUCHING ALL BASES

by Dan Maruszczak Jr.

Contrary to what many had thought, Agawam varsity wrestler Mike B'Shara is up and around, back in action after seemingly breaking his ankle in the recent East Longmeadow bout. Mighty Mike was checked out and was found to have a badly bruised bone. B'Shara, who wrestles in the 188-pound class, was also an All-Western Mass. grid standout for the 1978 Brownies.

It's about time we have NCAA top-rate teams to kick off the season...At press time.

Notre Dame and Duke were still question marks...Putting in an outstanding effort for Agawam's matmen is Steve Squeglia, who wrestles in the 100-pound class. Squeglia scored a 12-0 decision last Wednesday over Westfield, and has given 101% for the unbeaten Brownies...Congrats out to Agawam native Steve Palazzi upon returning from Sweden and the World Junior Hockey Tournament. Palazzi scored twice in the second period to pace the U.S. Junior National Team over West Germany, 8-

6, in a New Year's Eve contest...

In overall standings, Southwick's girl cagers ranked in a tie for sixth place with Lee and Belchertown with a 5-1 mark...Agawam's girl hoopsters were at a 1-5 mark...Brownie skater Jim Dow dropped to third on the Western Mass. scoring parade last week, with 5 goals and 10 assists...On the other hand, Rich Hardina was the other significant scorer, popping in five goals and the same number of assists.

## Agawam JV's Outskate Ludlow 6-2

In a total team effort on Tuesday, January 9, the Agawam JV hockey team outskated the Ludlow JV 6-2.

Pat Sullivan's two-goal performance led the way, along with the outstanding defensive effort of Jim Bolland.

Sharing the goal-tending duties for Agawam were Sam Deitelbaum and John Kunasek.

Scoring for Agawam were Pat Sullivan, once unassisted

and once from Charlie Vanasse, Vanasse from Steve Buoniconti, Buoniconti from Art Herring and Charlie Vanasse, Shawn Ringer unassisted, and John Couture unassisted.

The Agawam JV plays two excellent teams this week: Classical on Tuesday, the 16th at Cyr Arena at 5 p.m. and Cathedral on Wednesday, the 17th at the Olympia at 4 p.m.

## Agawam Jr.High Girls Win Two Straight

by Dan Maruszczak Jr.

The Junior High girl's basketball team, under Coach Leslie Clark's direction, overcame Ahmerst in its first game of the season with a 32-11 win. With Maria Kozloski's opening 2-pt. basket, the team was in the forefront throughout. Points were scored by Renee Dalton, Kelly Lizewski, Karen Mazza, Diane Ouillitte, and high scorer was Patty Niemiec with 22 points.

With a 21-10 score over Palmer at the half time, the girls' team continued the double lead, winning their second game at 46-23. Kelly Lizewski registered 11 points, and Patty Niemiec struck for 14 points. Valuable assistance was provided by Chris Altobelli, Mary Kamyk, Mary Moreau, Kelly Desmond, and Diane Pieffer. The team plays J.F. Kennedy at Northampton next.

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An increase in business demanded further expansion to the 6½ acres across the street, which presently provides space for used cars and trucks and for the newly-furnished body shop.

The active supervision of the business today has been passed to Jack Sarat, son of the founder, who is president and general manager. John Sarat still comes around, though, to keep his hand in day-to-day business.

According to Jack Sarat, years ago they would sell five cars to every one truck. Today, the ratio is about one to one. Jack said, "People today seem more and more to choose a truck as the family's second vehicle."

Today, also, they stock many more models to choose from, with several more options that may be acquired. Having to stock more options makes inventory regulation much more difficult than in the past.

Future plans for Sarat Ford involve erecting a new building on the lot where used vehicles are kept. This new building will serve as a showroom and service facility.



LINE RIGHT Safety Service, 1676 Main Street, has recently expanded its physical plant. photo by Jack Devine

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The Springfield Chapter of the Women's Association of Allied Beverage Industries will hold their January meeting on Tuesday, January 16th. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., the place the Green Gables Restaurant in Agawam.

Guest speaker will be Robert Marsh of the Agawam Police Department and his subject, "Traffic Safety."

Officers for the event are Julie Dubque and Evelyn Lodi, co-chairmen, and Carol Packard, WAABI President. Reservations should be made by calling Julie Dubque at 789-0026 or Evelyn Lodi at 739-1600.



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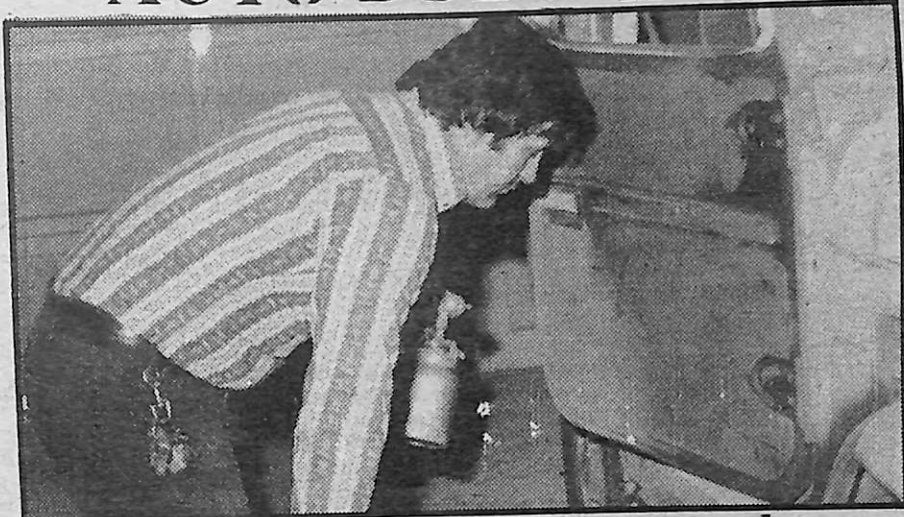
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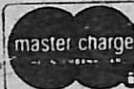
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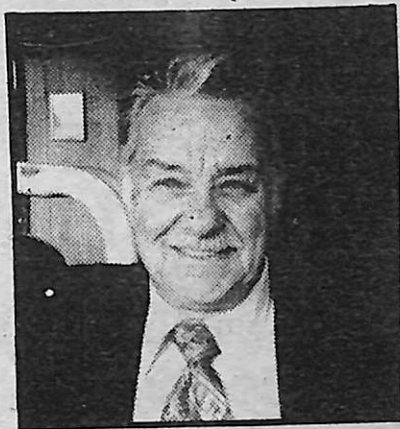
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## Phelps PTO Feature SPAN

Phelps School will be having its first PTO meeting of the new year on January 17th at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Dr. Sam Femiano, director

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is employed by the town, while Taylor is employed by the Council.

During Monday night's council meeting, Concilor Barnes requested that the council hire an attorney for Taylor due to the fact that if the court overturns the council's 1977 decision, the result could be a legal suit filed against Taylor by Gallano.

Gallano is expected to file suit within the next two weeks, and Posnik will give the council his decision on the legalities of hiring an attorney for Carol Taylor. The request resulted in the council asking for a decision from the town attorney as to whether the council can legally appoint an attorney for Taylor.

## starviews

By Jennifer Wood

Gene Wilder, one of today's acknowledged masters of comedy, doesn't do the "me-me-me" bit... this is one genius who gives credit where credit is due. And in his case, the credit goes to Mel Brooks. Says Wilder: "I'm his protégé, his child, and in some ways his monster." Wilder had the original idea to do *Young Frankenstein*, wrote the first draft of the script, then collaborated with Brooks on the final draft. As a result of the film's success, Gene got his own three-picture deal with Fox as a writer and actor with an option to direct. He's completed two films: *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' Smarter Brother* and *The World's Greatest Lover*. (Appearing on HBO this month.)

Gene also credits two stars with opening the doors for him as an actor. "I'd have died there (Hollywood) years ago. There wouldn't have been a chance for me with my face... Alan Arkin and Dustin Hoffman changed a lot of thinking. They convinced the guys who held the purse strings that you didn't have to be a superstar to attract people."

Speaking of **Dustin Hoffman** — now he's one of the guys who hold the purse strings — he's got his own production company and his first film was the critically acclaimed *Straight Time* in which he stars as an ex-con who goes from bad to worse.

Dustin's originally from L.A. and had to beg his parents to let him go to N.Y. to pursue an acting career. He arrived in the Big Apple in '58 and paid his dues: He was a psychiatric attendant, an acting teacher in Harlem, a typist and a waiter. Along the way, he also got some acting gigs. Mike Nichols spotted him in an off-Broadway show and hired him for *The Graduate*. After ten years he became an overnight star.

Ever wonder what the critics said about the work of a famous film director before he was a pro? Well, here's what the *N.Y. Times* said in 1965 about a film by a 22 year old student director: "Even with muffled sound and a reel changing snag, the raw vitality... attested to a fertile imagination and distinct graphic skill in his chosen profession."

The director? **Martin Scorsese**, the master filmmaker behind *Mean Streets*, *Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore*, *Taxi Driver*, and most recently, *The Last Waltz*, the great film record of The Band's last concert.

A little over a year ago, **Jon Voight's** career was in pretty bad shape. He had a reputation as being hard to work with, turned down a juicy role in *Exorcist II*, and his second marriage was on the rocks. Then he ran into Jane Fonda during a fund-raising campaign for her politician husband Tom Hayden. Jane mentioned her upcoming film, *Coming Home* to Jon and wanted him for the part of her Marine captain husband. Jon was more intrigued by the part of the crippled Vietnam vet that Fonda falls in love with. "He forced himself down our throats," says Jane, "and I'm forever grateful." (Bruce Dern got the role of Fonda's husband).

**Henry Winkler** takes stardom with just the right mixture of humor and humility. Says Henry: "Stardom isn't easy to handle. If you start thinking you're more than you are, the cockiness will kill you." Henry's had more than his share of extreme adulation from his fans. A pregnant woman once wanted him to touch her stomach for luck. "Naturally, I obliged her," said Henry. "I was grateful for her praise and also grateful she didn't blame me for her condition."

Besides continuing his ever-popular role as Fonzie, Henry has branched out into films with *The One and Only* and *Heroes* already under his belt.

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### Agawam

**Monday, January 22:** Cream of tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich w/ pickle chips, tossed garden salad w/ shredded carrots and Italian dressing, chilled fruit medley in syrup, milk.

**Tuesday, January 23:** Chilled apple juice, 1/2 chopped ham & pickle sandwich, 1/2 peanut butter sandwich, oven french fries, buttered green beans, chocolate cake w/ vanilla icing, milk.

**Wednesday, January 24:** Baked hamburger & macaroni w/ tomato sauce, buttered Italian bread, creamy cole slaw, jellied apple sauce w/ whip topping, milk.

**Thursday, January 25:** Sliced white meat turkey in gravy on whipped potatoes, buttered peas & carrots, dinner roll w/ butter, sweet potato cake w/ peanut butter icing, milk.

**Friday, January 26:** Chilled fruit juice, meat ball grinder w/ tomato sauce, buttered niblet corn, ice cream cup, milk.

### Southwick

**Monday, January 22:** Ravioli w/ meat sauce and shredded cheese, buttered peas, bread and butter, chilled fruit cup, milk.

**Tuesday, January 23:** Cheeseburger on bun, pickle chips, mustard and catsup, french fries, chilled peaches, milk.

**Wednesday, January 24:** Chili con carne w/ beans, buttered rice, buttered green beans, bread and butter, chilled applesauce, milk.

**Thursday, January 25:** Oven baked chicken w/ cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, buttered corn, bread and butter, cookies, milk.

**Friday, January 26:** Fishburger on Bun, tartar sauce, potato chips, cole slaw, peach short cake w/ topping, milk.

### Agawam Senior Center Wright Street

**Monday, January 22:** manicotti, spinach, plums - SQUARE DANCING LESSON!

**Tuesday, January 23:** Baked beans, wieners, coleslaw, apple crisp

**Wednesday, January 24:** Chicken legs, noodles, mixed vegetables, jello

**Thursday, January 25:** Pork choplets, bean salad, mashed potatoes, banana

**Friday, January 26:** Tuna chop suey, rice, lemon cobbler

On February 8, 1979, we will see the "Music Man" at the Coachlight Theatre. We still have a few seats, don't wait again until the last minute! Price: \$11.00

Our first square dancing lesson will be Monday afternoon, at 1 p.m., January 22. We have a nice group signed up, get in on the ground floor! Price is only 75¢, which includes refreshments. Please sign up at the office.

We would also like to remind you of the nurses foot clinic on January 18th, and the Dr. Haynes clinic on January 31st.

Exercise class resumes on January 22, and we hope to see the entire class again.

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## Rural Letter Carriers To Serve More

Rural letter carriers, who go to great lengths for their customers, will bring mail to more homes than ever before in 1979, Feeding Hills Postmaster Joseph Dahdah noted today.

"It's quite likely that many of us received mail during the recent holidays bearing a special cancellation that read: 'Rural Letter Carriers, Serving America,'" he said. "And you may see the same imprint on some of your mail for a few days into the new year."

The cancellations were part of a tribute to the National Rural Letter Carriers Association, which has been in existence for 75 years.

"The number of Americans who receive their mail on rural routes today totals about 14.3 million families. Each day, more than 30,000 full-time rural carriers travel some 2.2 million miles—roughly equivalent to four round trips to the moon—delivering letters, packages, catalogs and other materials to the nation's rural residents," Postmaster Dahdah said.

Locally, about 500 families are served by one rural route.

Mr. Arthur W. Kerr has served the Rural section of this community for approximately 30 years. He has witnessed the growth along with his years of service and is always willing and ready to assist any and all customers in his daily operation.

Mr. Dahdah noted that rural delivery was first officially suggested by Postmaster General John Wannamaker in his annual report for fiscal year 1891. The first bill to authorize rural delivery was introduced in Congress by Rep. James O'Donnell of Michigan on January 5, 1892, but the 16 million appropriation request failed to pass.

More than a year later, Rep. Thomas E. Watson of Georgia managed to get a \$10,000 appropriation measure through Congress for an experimental rural delivery service. It became law on March 3, 1893, the day

Postmaster General Wannamaker left office. His successor, William S. Bissell, did not share Wannamaker's enthusiasm for such an experiment, and Watson was defeated in his bid for reelection, so the idea languished for several years.

It wasn't until October, 1896 that Postmaster General William L. Wilson used a \$40,000 appropriation set aside by Congress to begin an experiment with rural delivery service in his home state of West Virginia. It began with five routes, three out of Charles Town, a fourth from Halltown and a fifth out of Uvilla.

On December 20, 1899, Carroll County, Md., became the first county in the nation to be served by rural delivery.

Congress continued to appropriate funds for the service on an "experimental" basis until 1902, when an appropriation act made it permanent as of July 1.

After this, rural service spread like wildfire. It went from 82 routes in 1897 to more than 8,000 in 1902. And it was up to 15,000 in 1903, when the National Rural Letter Carriers Association held its first annual meeting in Chicago.

The number of rural routes peaked at more than 45,000 in 1926. But the total number of miles served that year—1.2 million—was only about half the number travelled by rural carriers today, even though the actual number of routes has been reduced by about 13,000.

"The growth of rural service has been credited with both helping to develop the nation's highway system and adding new business opportunities for those with goods and services to sell by mail," Postmaster Dahdah said.

"While providing those services, rural carriers have developed a sense of responsibility for their customers that is almost legendary. Many times it has gone far beyond what customers normally expect from their post office on wheels."

## Down to Earth

by Janet Cook



Flower gardeners and vegetable gardeners alike are planning their gardens for next spring.

Most of us tend to rely on trusted varieties to insure a good crop from our vegetables and mounds of flowers in our flower beds. Some people are not willing to try the new varieties for fear that they will not give the desired results in these areas.

Most any of the seed and plant catalogs that we get in this area will list the types that grow well here. Our growing season here is fairly short, and this can make a difference with some varieties.

Note when you read about a certain type of seed or plant what zone it grows best in or the number of days till harvest. This can tell you if you could be successful in growing it.

BURPEE SEEDS has a new marigold for sale. It is called Queen Sophia and is a 1979 All-American Bronze Medal Winner. This marigold has large reddish-gold blossoms banded with yellow on the petal edges.

BURPEE's also offers a new vegetable called snap peas. The pods are edible. Unlike snow peas, which must

be picked young, snap peas are picked when the peas are fully mature and the peas are full-sized.

BURPEE's is asking their customers to help them test a new, long-keeping tomato. Seeds are sent free to anyone who places an order of \$10 or more. This testing can be the best there is, for it is being tested by people just like you and me. If the test results are favorable, we could have a tomato available to us that will store up to January or February with no problem.

There is a new apple that has been introduced by New York State Agricultural Experiment Station. Created by Dr. R.C. Lamb of the station's Department of Pomology and Viticulture, it is called Liberty. It is a disease-resistant plant, not only resistant to apple scab, but also to cedar apple rust, fire blight, and mildew.

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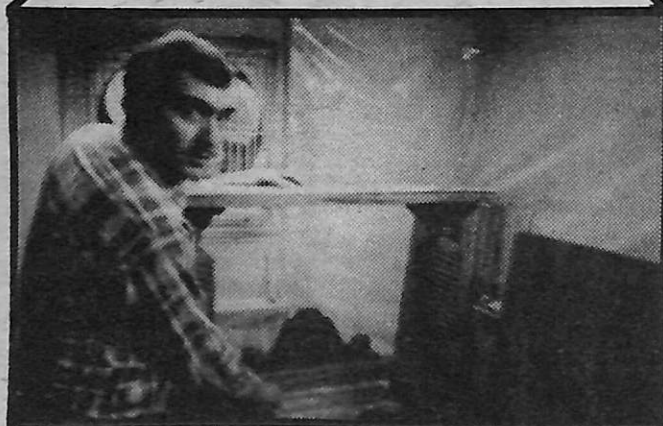
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